

Kaleidoscope



Good Shepherd Lutheran School

2020-2021

"Secure In His Arms"

Psalm 27:1

preschool

Mrs. Klaas

Pre K 4-1 Told what they know about Jesus!

Gracelyn G.- He died on the cross.

Annie C.- He died on the cross and took away our sins.

Graham E.- He died on the cross for all the children.

Grace G.- He takes care of me.

Austin M.- He died on the cross.

Ethan P.- He died on the cross.

Eli H.- He loves us.

Yana J.- He loves me.

Kylie H.- I love him and like him when I go to church.

Ezra C.- He loves us.

Henry B.- He died on the cross and walked on the golden road.

Jaxi J.- Died on the cross.

Asher H.- He takes us to heaven.

Charlie C.- Jesus loves me.

Daisy M.- He Died on the cross for our sins.



preschool/

Mrs. Nobbe

Pre K 4-2 Told what they know about Jesus!

Jack A.- Jesus died on the cross.

Camryn B.- He is powerful.

Tucker B.- Jesus is strong and loves me.

Norah B.- I love Jesus very much and want to be his friend.

Evelyn C.- He died on the cross to save us from our sins.

Easton G.- When Jesus gives me something really good food, stuffed animals, my room I thank Him.

Harlyn H.- He loves me.

Lane H.- He died on the cross to take away my sins, is bigger than Goliath and rose again on Easter.

Sam K.- He died on the cross for us.

Caleb M.- I love him because he is in my heart.

Parker O.- He died on the cross.

Spencer O.- Jesus died on the cross and saved our sins.

Gavin S.- He dies on the cross for our sins.

Gus S.- He took away our sins.

Alexa T.- He is strong and died on the cross for our sins.

Elliot Y.- Jesus died on the cross and then was raised from the dead. He flew back into heaven. He makes us feel better and helps us do hard things.



Kindergarten

Mrs. Krause's

K-1 Told about their favorite parts of kindergarten from this school year!

Joel A. loved reading from the Bible every day in kindergarten. He also loved the Superkids and their books and games.

National Lutheran Schools Week was Ella B.'s favorite part of kindergarten. She really liked dressing up that week. She also really liked the Superkids and their songs.

Saina B. says that her favorite part of kindergarten has been having Mrs. Krause teaching her, and watching the baby chicks hatch!

Having Zero the Hero visit was a favorite of Henry B.'s this year! He also loved estimation math!

Cooper B. feels that having good friends was a great part of kindergarten. Art projects that we painted were also super fun.

Being the helper for calendar time was fun for Annalynne C. She also loved it when Max the puppy visited.

Emily F. was so excited when the baby chicks hatched this spring! Watching the videos about our adopted cow, Bella, was also a favorite of hers!

Jesus Time stories and all the games that we played during gym made kindergarten lots of fun for Josie F. this year!

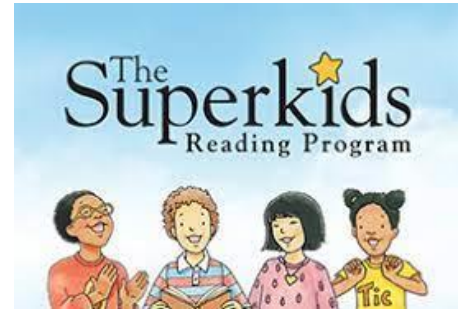
Hosea G.'s favorite thing about kindergarten was seeing the fluffy baby chicks after they hatched. Hosea also loved putting puzzles together with his friends.

Freddy H. loved getting to know the Superkids this year. He also loved hearing all the stories from the Bible!

Learning about all the Superkids and their fun songs was great, says Micah H. He also thinks it was great getting smart in math!

Emily L. loved having stories read this year! She really enjoyed it when Jack and Maya, the Jesus Time puppets, told us Bible stories too!

Lauren L.'s favorite part of kindergarten was painting during art. Estimation Math was another favorite activity for her.



Learning about Bella, our adopted calf, was Callie L.'s favorite part of kindergarten! Learning to read with the Superkids was another favorite thing for Callie.

Sebastian M.'s favorite thing about kindergarten was getting smart in math! He also loved playing in centers, especially the water table.

Doing science experiments, especially the candy heart one, was Brooklyn M.'s favorite part of kindergarten. Learning about the Superkids, their songs, and learning to read were also special to her.



Learning about Jesus and that He was born in a stable was Alice M.'s favorite thing about kindergarten. She also liked seeing Mrs. Krause each day.

Kaelyn P. loved having baby chicks in the classroom and watching them grow. She also loved having Jesus Time and learning about the Bible.

Doing Estimation math with treats and counting was Layne R.'s favorite part of kindergarten. Getting so smart in math class was also one of her favorite things we did.

Fred S. really loved having his daddy be his music teacher in kindergarten. He also loved getting to know the Superkids and becoming a super reader. Recess was great too!

Learning about Bella, our adopted calf, was Jaxson T.'s favorite thing about kindergarten. He liked it because his dog is named Bella too! He also liked it when Zero the Hero came and left us "zero" shaped treats.

Salem T. liked "Wonderful Wednesdays" the best because we got to do art, like painting and coloring. She also loved it when "Max," our Second Step puppet came to visit.



Learning about squirrels and making a grey squirrel was Greyson U.'s favorite thing about kindergarten. Greyson also loved having center time and coloring pictures.

Colton W.'s favorite thing in kindergarten was when Mrs. Krause showed us how to draw pictures in art and when we painted them. His other favorite part of kindergarten was seeing the fuzzy baby chicks at lunch time.

First Grade

Mrs. Robinson & Mrs. Lingafelter

The first grade classes class wrote descriptive paragraphs using our 5 senses and added adjectives so you would feel like you were there with us. We hope you enjoy reading them.

Today I am doing something fun! I am watching my dad use a chainsaw. I see wood pieces flying out of it. I hear a really loud noise. I smell disgusting dust. I am on my swing while my dad is cutting dry wood.

Ellie



Today I am doing something fun! I am visiting penguins at the zoo. I see penguins standing on the ice and eating fish. I hear splashing water and smell clean fish. I feel smooth plastic glass. I taste french fries at the zoo restaurant.

Nora

Today I am doing something fun! I am going to see two red and black tigers. I see their sharp teeth. I hear them growling. I smell disgusting fish and animal meat. I taste nothing. I feel furry fur and tickly whiskers.

Sydney

Today I am doing something fun! I am going to the big park to have a lot of fun. I see a big, red slide and I hear people yelling. It smells good outside. I feel the wind blowing in my face.

Richard



Today I am doing something fun! I am going to see gray turkeys. They sound like gobble, gobble. They smell rotten. They taste like meat. They feel fuzzy. They have feathers.

Francesca

Today I am doing something fun! I am going on a ride called the Boomerang. I see green and orange. I hear screaming from the ride. I smell air. I taste frozen cookies. I feel sweat on my body.

Aiden L.

Today I am doing something fun! I am swimming in the blue pool. I see my little sister. There are kids yelling. I smell the grill where my dad is cooking delicious hot dogs. I taste salt from the water. I feel ripples when people jump in the water.

Aiden N.



Today I am doing something fun! I am seeing black gorillas. I like to watch them hang from a tree and they are very loud. Bananas are their favorite food. They are fresh bananas.

Jed

Today I am doing something fun! I am going roller skating. I see Richard, Ellie, Lexi, Francesca, Aiden, and Amelia. I hear very many noisy people. When I take off my skates, they are so stinky. I do not eat anything.

Gavin

Today I am doing something fun! I am going to see the penguins at the zoo. I see them waddling and they smell like rotten fish. I feel the cold water splash and the sounds are loud. The penguins make squeaking sounds. I do not taste anything at the zoo.

Lexi

Today I am doing something fun! I am going to the zoo to see the elephants. I see big elephants and I feel that the fence is hard. I hear loud trumpeting sounds. I taste water and it is cold. It smells bad when they go to the bathroom. I did not get to feel the elephants. I think they will feel scaly and bumpy. They are dark gray.

Grant

Today I am doing something fun! I am jumping on the trampoline. I see kids jumping high. I hear kids screaming and my tummy is rumbling because it is almost lunch. I smell the nice air. I do not taste anything. When I lay on the green grass, I feel the soft grass.

Amelia



Today I am doing something fun! I am going to Red Robin. Red Robin is the restaurant with the red tablecloth. There was Red Robin and it was yellow. In the restaurant I will hear a lot of people yelling. I will smell the Chicken Strips. They will be so hot.

Isla

Today I am doing something fun! I am playing cops and robbers. I see James right behind me. I hear his feet hitting the grass.

Maddox

Today I am doing something fun! I am going to pick apples. I see red apples. I hear the crunching of delicious apples. I taste apples. I feel prickly grass.

Camy



Today I am doing something fun! I am having my birthday party. I will eat ribs. I will smell cake. I will feel wrapping paper. I will see cake. I will hear ripping.

Holden

Today I am doing something fun! I am going to the basement of my house. I see worms that are black. I smell nothing. I feel a chill going down my spine.

Gavin



Today I am doing something fun! I am going to do an Easter Egg Hunt. I see green grass. I hear loud eggs falling into baskets. I smell very fresh air. I will feel light air.

Aiden

Today I am doing something fun! I am going to pick apples. I see apples that are red. I hear the noisy tractor and smell smokey trailers. The apples fall softly.

Jemma

Today I am doing something fun! I am going to the Teacups. I see a mouse going up and down. I hear someone about the puke. I smell a stinky pull-up. I feel a hard smooth seat.

Hazel

Today I am doing something fun! I am going to the amusement park. I hear kids screaming. I feel a smooth roller coaster. I see pine trees. I smell sweet cotton candy.

Savannah

Today I am doing something fun! I am going to my tree house. I see some gray metal. I feel a hard black climbing wall. I smell clean wood. I hear the blowing wind.

Ceana

Today I am doing something fun! I am eating at the beach house. I see a big bowl of ice cream. I'm going to taste sweet fruit. I'm going to hear frying food. I'm going to feel fried food.

James

Second Grade

Mrs. Rincker & Mrs. Batty

The 2nd grade wrote about some of their favorite things to do in the spring.

I like spring because of Easter. It has warmer weather. I also like fishing and playing on my trampoline. I spend time with my family. I like coloring eggs. We remember Jesus' resurrection.

John A.



Spring is a fun season for me because it's warmer weather. I like to play with my dog Gracie outside. I also like how the flowers bloom. They are very pretty. It is fun to plant things in the garden and watch them grow. I like to plant lots of flowers! It's fun to paint spring things. I go outside a lot to swing and slide on my play set.

Allison B.

I like spring because I like hunting and fishing for squirrels and turkey. I like fishing and camping. I like to ride my dirt bike. My birthday is in spring. For my birthday, I am going on vacation.

Owen C.

I like spring because I get to go to Florida. I'm going to go to Old Towne. I will go to eat. I am going to a hotel.

Logan C.



I like spring. These are the things I do in the spring. I like planting flowers, warmer weather, vacation, spring break, family time, Easter, playing and hanging outside, egg hunts, and coloring eggs. I liked last spring because I had soccer. I had practice on Wednesday evening and games on Saturday morning. At the last game we lost, but my sister won. This spring I want to go hunting and fishing.

Molly F.

Hi my name is Tinley. I love spring because I love to hunt, fish, and do spring cleaning. Last spring during COVID I played with my family outside. It was so fun. I got a new dog. Her name is Molly. I got her last spring. This spring she is going to turn 4. It is so exciting for my family.

Tinley F.

I like spring because the flowers bloom. I play outside at grammy and papa's house with my siblings. My family and I go on vacation. At Easter, I go to church and then go to grammy and papa's house. We color eggs and go egg hunting. This spring my parents have a surprise. We like to go on our playset and play a game I made up called Daddy Monster. I love spring.

Lola F.

I like spring because of the nice weather. I play football. I like to play catch with the baseball. I play frisbee.

Nathan F.

Spring is fun for me because the flowers bloom. I like coloring eggs, I would love to go camping and fishing with my Uncle Darren. I like egg hunts and warm weather.

Andi H.

I love spring. I like to go camping and fishing. I like to catch bass, bluegill, and catfish. My favorite fish is an alligator gar. I love hiking in the woods. I love finding insects, frogs, and lizards. I love fishing in my lake.

Brennan I.



I love spring because Easter is in it. Easter is so much fun. You get to find eggs from the Easter bunny. My family and I get to go on vacation. I also like to sit outside and see the flowers bloom. Easter is important because Jesus Rose!!!! Jesus is the most important person in the world. Spring is also the best because I get to spend time with my family.

Kailee K.

I like spring because I can finally go swimming. I like to go hiking and camping. I get to go on vacation to look for shark's teeth. I like nice weather.

Errolyn K.

I like spring because I can get a spring break off school. On Easter, our family likes to color hard boiled eggs and then we hunt for them and plastic eggs too. When it's spring me and my brothers play outside in the warm, beautiful, just right weather. I love when I get an Easter basket with a toy, or some money or eggs or all three. I like to pick flowers and give them to my mom. In spring our family likes to eat outside in our backyard at our family table with plants surrounding it. I love spring.

Natalie S.

I like spring because it is hot. I love playing outside on my trampoline. I love family bike rides. I love playing baseball in the spring. I also like spring because there is an Indian celebration called Holi and we throw colors at each other.

Bhavneet S.



I like spring because of Jesus' resurrection. Sometimes we go on vacation. Sometimes we color eggs. There are spring break and spring sports and family time.

Rylen T.

In the spring I like warm weather. I get to see my brother and go camping. I get to do Easter hunting, see family, and play outside. I play soccer with my family. I love flowers and spring is my favorite season. I like Jesus' resurrection and spring cleaning and crafts.

Mya W.



In the spring I like to play golf at Far Oaks and Oakbrook. I like to play baseball. I like to go to Florida. I go on my brother's baseball trip and all I do is eat snacks. I like to go to the zoo with my cousins. I like to go to Bobby's and I get Chocolate Cookie Dough.

Ryan B.

In the spring I like to play baseball with Lily. I am going to Florida next week and I am very, very excited. In the spring I also like to ride bikes with my mom around the neighborhood. I like to do picnics a lot with my family in my front yard in the spring.

Vivian C.

In the spring you can do a lot of things. I want to talk about playing mini-golf. You can play in a lot of mini-golf places, but the one I like the most is in Nashville, TN. It is really fun to play there. It is a big hole. I also like to go to the go-cart place. It is attached to all their places. It is a great place to go in the spring.

Paisley H.

In the spring I like to go outside and spend time with my family. On Easter my dad hides eggs with candy. After that, they give me, my little sister, and my baby brother a basket full of fun spring stuff.

Eli J.



There are a lot of things to do in the spring. In the spring I like to smell the flowers that bloom. In the spring I take walks with mom. Some days I ride my bike. My favorite thing to do in the spring is eat ice cream.

Woody M.

Hi, I want to share some of my favorite things to do in the spring. When it rains I like to stay inside and watch a movie. Sometimes, if my mom lets me, I will build a fort. I will do gymnastics and play with my brother. When it is nice, I will go to the park and play with jump ropes. I have a gymnastics mat that I can play on.

Adelynn M.

In the spring my sister, neighbor, and I play. We like to play on the trampoline and then go get a snack. Sometimes they have to go early, but when they're back we play again. We have lots of fun.

Aria M.

In the spring the flowers will bloom and the baby animals will come out soon. I will go to the zoo and go on a walk. I will go play with my dog and have a picnic. When it rains I will jump in the puddles, play in the mud, and try to find the end of the rainbow. Alexis M.



I love to watch flowers grow in the spring. I also like to play in the rain and then watch the rainbow come up. I play with my neighbor in the spring. My mom's birthday is in the spring too! I hope you love spring too, and I hope you have a lot of fun things to do in the spring. Sabrina M.

There are a lot of fun things to do in the spring. You could play baseball or any other sports. But the worst part is it rains a lot. You can grill steaks, brats, or burgers and go outside to eat. Spring is so much fun. Hayes O.

In the spring it rains a lot and flowers bloom. You play with friends in the sun. You might see a kite. Usually baby bugs fly around in the garden, maybe a snake or two. You ride bikes in the park. Bobby's opens and it is good ice-cream. I hope you like spring too. Madilyn S.

In the spring my mom and I love to go bike riding. I practice playing soccer. I like to play catch with my dad. I go inside and watch a movie. When I am done playing, I ride my bike with my friends too. I love to play in the water with my friends. I play on my playground or at the park. I play tag with my friends. I love to play outside in the spring.

Hailey S.

I love to see the baby animals when it is spring. They are so cute. I like to go on bike rides with my friends. We have a bunch of books and we have a box that you can trade books. I go on walks with my mom a lot. My brother loves the park and sees the dogs. Spring is a fun time. Treyson T.

In the spring I like going on a walk with my grandpa and dog too. Then, when we get home we play, then we go inside. I go on my PS4 and I play for one hour. Then I get off and I play with my little sister. Vanessa V.

These are some things I really like to do in spring. I really like to go on walks at the park and see baby ducklings. We go to the zoo and eat outside. I leave my window open and I really like to smell the fresh air. We can start going outside in t-shirts and short Mia W.



I like the spring. In the spring there are rainbows. In the spring I like to play baseball with my friends. I love to go to TN in the spring. There are ladybugs in the spring. I like to do cart wheels outside. I like to play with my dog. In the spring I live to play legos outside. I love the spring.

Lily W.



In the spring I like to ride my bikes with my friends and jump on their trampoline. The only thing I don't like about spring is that it rains a lot. The baby animals are so cute. I love to fly my kite. My dad takes me to the zoo. After that we usually go get Bobby's to get ice cream. The grass gets green and dad cuts the grass. Our flowers bloom and our trees look really pretty. I hope you like spring too.

Riley Y.



Third Grade

Mrs. Pritchard

Class 3-1 wrote descriptions of the monsters they drew.



My monster's name is Erbie. He likes to skateboard. Erbie likes potatoes because Erbie is a potato! Erbie likes Art. Erbie has sea-green hands, a brown body and yellow-orange toes. Sea-green and yellow-orange antennae are on top of his head. Three yellow-sea green eyes are on his face.
By Caleb B.

My Monster

I saw a monster in the woods. The monster had butterfly antennae coming out of its head. It had one eye in the middle of its face. It has fifteen teeth. It has an unusual mouth. It has an oval-shaped body. It has oddly shaped arms. It has flat feet. It was an aquamarine colored monster. It likes to eat leaves, grasses, and tree bark.

By Ella F.



My Monster

My monster has a green and yellow pattern of stripes on its body. It has two antennas. It has spherical teeth. It is a boy. My monster's name is Dumbledor.

By: Myla G.



My monster has striped legs. Her name is Willow. She is funny, kind, and a little silly. Willow is pink, purple, and blue. Willow's favorite food is pizza. Willow's favorite color is yellow. Willow has a fuzzy body. Willow has a dark purple face.
By Ava H.



My monster's name is Scare. Meet Scare. Scare likes to eat a lot of candy and sweets! Scare lives in a bedroom. Scare's body is light blue. Scare's face is teal. Scare has a big mouth for scaring and eating! Scare has big horns that are for protection and his big horns are red. Scare's mouth and horns do all the work. Scare's legs are black. Scare's eyes are teal mixed with light blue. Scare is the coolest monster ever! Scare is a nice monster to people.
By Sydney H.



My monster has two red eyes. Its antennae are gray, light green, and scarlet. My monster has a purple head, a blue body, blue arms, and blue hands. My monster has orange feet with blue toe nails. My monster's name is Bob. My monster lives in the middle of the Galaxy. My monster likes any type of sugar. Bob's favorite song is "Old Town Road". Bob has 9,999 friends.
By Alexis K.

My Monster, Jerry

My monster, Jerry, has brown spots. On his body and arms, he has stripes. Orange ears are on Jerry's head. He is from Monster's World. He has red and yellow toes that stick out from his body. Jerry likes to eat frogs. He likes hot weather. He goes to Monster Elementary for school. He likes playing with his monster technology. Jerry is in fifth grade. He is 13. When he grows up he wants to be in the MBA which stands for Monsters Basketball Association!
By Jacob K.



My monster's name is Hershey. She has purple feet and a green body. Her favorite food is Hershey's chocolate. She has crazy teeth and chicken wing arms. She is part elephant. Hershey likes jokes. Her favorite color is purple. Oh, one of her hobbies is cooking. She likes to cook cookies. My monster's birthday is on February 7. She has antennae on her head and they are orange. She has blue eyelids. My monster has eyelashes on her eyes.
By Sephora L.





My monster is yellow and has blue feet. My monster also has red horns and has an orange and brown mouth.

By Parker L.

My Monster

His name is Fallout and his best friend is the boogeyman. He lives on Pluto. His favorite food is penguins. He has horns. He has a blue body and he has a phone.

By Anthony M.



My scary monster is named Shortcake. Her mom is named Stephanie and her dad is named Bob. My scary monster is pink, purple, and blue. She has yellow teeth from eating poison, candy, and leaves that are not good for you. My scary monster has a friend named Cookie Monster. Cookie Monster is blue. They play all the time. Her grandma, Goofy Lucy, always comes over and bakes cookies. Cookie Monster loves when Grandma comes over because Cookie Monster loves cookies.

By Natalie M.



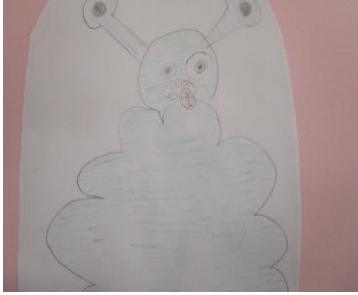
My monster's name is Rainbow Bumble. She is from Monster Ville, and lives inside a fluffy black and yellow cave. She has a yellow head and yellow antennas. She has a yellow and black eye and black arms and yellow hands. My monster has a body as tall as an eleven foot tall building. Her body is colorful and has bright colors on it. Her feet are blue, aqua, and purple. Her feet are as large as a 6 foot tall man. Rainbow Bumble loves to eat lots of candy with honey on top. Rainbow Bumble also loves to draw. She is very good at it, also. She has no brothers or sisters. Rainbow Bumble's favorite color is yellow because it is a bright and fun color. When Rainbow Bumble grows up, she wants to be an artist.

By Violet M.



My Monster

My monster's name is Lumpy. His body is teal colored and his head is too. He has purple ears and purple legs. He has blue eyes and his tongue is out and his mouth is open. His body has lumps all over it. His favorite color is blue. Lumpy likes ice cream.



His favorite thing to do is to hop. He hates running. Lumpy is crazy all the time! He loves balloons. He loves music and cake too. He lives in a world with people that look like him. The people are all different colors. Lumpy wears no shoes.

By Charlotte P.

My monster's name is Candy. My monster is kind. My monster is a shy monster. My monster is part bird. My monster is a fashion walker. My monster eats candy. Her favorite candy is chocolate. She has two kids-one boy and one girl. Candy's body is light blue. Her feet are a different color blue. She has butterfly antennas. My monster and all of her species live IN CANDYLAND! Candy also has two dogs and they eat candy biscuits. She has one cat and he eats candy treats.

By Kaelyn S.



My Monster

My monster's name is Designer. My monster has a big blue head; on its head there are purple dots, and red hearts. It has yellow antennas and one big green eye. My monster has crazy teeth. My monster has a body that looks like a penguin. My monster has no scales or feathers. It has wavy lines all over its body. My monster's arms have zigzag lines. My monster loves gumdrops. It is not scary. It is very kind, caring, sweet, and loving. It lives in Asia. It wants to be an artist. It loves math!!! It smells like flowers. My monster's favorite time is 11:11. My monster loves the outdoors. She lives in the store Macy's. My monster loves holidays. My monster loves to read the Bible. My monster has 5 billion siblings. My monster has 9999 friends.



By Caroline S.

My monster's name is Rainbow. She is pretty. Rainbow has a rainbow belly. Rainbow has a happy smile and 500,000 friends. Rainbow is tall and big. She has a big smile. She is eight and a half years old like me. Her color is rainbow and her head is pink. Rainbow has stars on her cheeks. She has black feet.

By Adalie T.



Fatty Patty

My monster looks like a fat clown and is rainbow colored. My monster's name is Fatty Patty. Fatty Patty lives in Australia on the east coast. My monster is 70 years old with a fat belly and his parents are even fatter. Fatty Patty eats krabby patties and Big Macs. That's why he is so fat. His belly can hold an elephant and a baby elephant. He likes to run, but he is slow because he has a ginormous belly. He has a big head and a big nose. He also has big ears and he is very tall.

By Isaiah W.



Third Grade

Mrs. Streuter

Class 3-2 wrote about their favorite pets

My favorite pet is a Hamster. They are small. They can live in a cage. They are cute. They can run fast. Their teeth never stop growing. I want one for a pet.

By Isabella B.

My favorite pet is a bunny. They are cute, adorable, and a girl's best friend. My bunny's name would be Cookie Tan; her eyes would be brown. She would be playful and beautiful. Her nibbles are like little pinches. You could play superheroes with it or princess. They can live for 9 year; they can sleep for 8 hours a day.

By Matti C.



My favorite pet is a hamster. I like hamsters because they can run fast. I also like them because they have hamster balls. I also like hamsters because they have hamster wheels. I also like hamsters because they are cute.

By Owen C.

My favorite pet is a Husky. I like Huskies because they are cute and cuddly. You can play with them, and they can pull your sled. They can also keep themselves warm. They are so much fun. I love them so much!!

By Zion C.

My favorite pet is a bunny. They are cute. They can hop. They are fuzzy. They can have spots, which is cute. I want to have a pet bunny.

By Agnes H.

My favorite pet is a dog. They are very cute and fuzzy. They are very playful. Sometimes they are cute when they sleep. Last but not least, they love you no matter who you are and no matter how you look. They will always love you.

By Elise L.

My favorite pet is tortoise. I like tortoises because they can live up to 15 or 20 years. I also like them because they are smart, and their shells are really cool and pretty. I like them because you can give them really cool and unique names. Tortoises are my favorite pet.

By Piper M.



My favorite pet is a Husky. They look like wolves. They look cool. I like the way they look. Their eyes are cool. They have a great sense of smell, and they have great eyesight.

By Brayden P.

My favorite pet is a Bernedoodle puppy. They are so playful. They are so cute. They listen very well and closely. They are my dream pet! The Bernedoodle is a mix of Bernese Mountain dog and Poodle. Even though they are fluffy, they don't shed much!

By Ethan P.



My favorite pet is a cat. Cats are very calm. I like when cats purr. Cats are small. Cats lay by you. Cats are cute.

By Nate P.

A dog is the best pet. Dogs can comfort people who have anxiety and depression. In July 2014, a Pitbull licked a sleeping deaf boy's face until he woke up. The house was on fire! The boy and the dog made it out alive. Guard dogs are good for your protection and for your house. Dobermans, German Shepherds, and Rottweilers are good guard dogs. A dog is loyal, friendly, and a good companion with people. King Frederick of Prussia said the phrase "man's best friend" when talking about his Italian Greyhound.

By Rylin R.

My favorite animal is a dog. A Chocolate Lab's life expectancy is 10 to 12 years. They can weigh 64 to 79 pounds. They cost \$800 to \$1200. Puppy labs are cute.

By Marco S.

My favorite pet is a dog. The type of dog is a Golden Retriever. They are fun to play with. They play with a ball or stick. They are cute.

By Micah S.

My favorite pet is a dog because they are cute. They are nice. They are fast. They are man's best friend. I think dogs are great. I also think dogs are awesome.

By Levi T.



My favorite pet is a cat because it is cute. It is furry. It jumps really high. It is really soft. It is hard to see them at night.

By Adrian V.

I like guinea pigs because they are cute. Guinea pigs really like to cuddle. Guinea pigs trust you if they know you. You can also decorate their cages. It is really fun to play with them. They are really scared of people.

By Amelia W.

Fourth Grade

Mrs. Maske

4th grade wrote conversations about Christmas from a different point of view.

Once there were two sheep named Daisy and Lily. They were best friends. One day, they saw a bright light in the sky.

“Wow!” exclaimed Daisy. “That’s bright!”

“Yes, it is,” agreed Lily. They tried to get a better look at it, but then they heard singing. Angels were everywhere! Pretty soon, the shepherds started leading them out of the field and toward the light.

“Where are we going?” asked Daisy.

“I don’t know, maybe somewhere warm?” answered Lily.

“I heard from another sheep that we were going to visit a baby, but I’m not sure *that’s* true,” Daisy informed her friend.

“A different sheep told me that the baby would be a king!” exclaimed Lily.

“That’s just crazy,” said Daisy, shaking her head.

“I know!” Lily replied.

“Look, there’s a stable up ahead!” shouted Daisy. “But why are we going *there*?”

“I don’t know, maybe the baby is there?” answered Lily.

“I doubt it, that’s no place for a baby!”

“You’re right,” agreed Lily. They went into the stable and saw...

“A baby!” they shouted at the same time.

“It’s the king!” cried Daisy.

“I don’t think so,” said Lily. “Kings have crowns.”

“But look, the shepherds are bowing down,” Daisy pointed out.

“And look.” Lily pointed outside the stable. “Three wisemen are coming with gifts!”

“Maybe we should bow too,” suggested Daisy.

“Okay,” said Lily, and they bowed down.

By: Maria and Elle



“Hi, Camel! Do you know how Mary and Joseph got to Bethlehem?” said the sheep.

“No, but I do know that something special is going to happen here. Why else would the star shine directly on it?” answered the camel.



“Because the baby was born here,” suggested the sheep.

“Maybe. That might make sense. The baby must be special if a new star was made just to shine on its birth place,” responded the camel.

“Was it a newborn king?” asked the sheep.

“Why would a king be born in a stable? Yes, a king would be special, but this baby is a different kind of special,”

replied the camel.

“More loyal. More kind. Can do miracles with his own hands,” the sheep said.

“Yes, almost like the son of God,” the camel agreed.

By: Kaleb and Reeve

“I’m so excited for the new King! I have so many questions!” Star exclaimed.

“Yes! Today in the City of David you will see a King lying in a manger, wrapped in swaddling clothes.” Eliza the donkey said.

“Really? What about King Herod? Won’t he be mad?” Star was afraid that Jesus would be in danger.

“What should we do? What should we do?”

“It’s ok. God has a plan for Jesus. He has sent him to die on the cross for our sins so that we will see him in paradise forever.”

“Well, thank you Eliza, for talking to me about Jesus’s birth.”

“Oh, I enjoyed it. Thank you for talking to me too.” Eliza said.

And Star went to sleep in the clouds, while Eliza slept all night in her shed. God had a plan. God is always in control.

By: Ashlyn and Ansley



"I am the camel named Joe."
"My friend is the camel named Bob."
"It was very hard to find the Christmas star," said Joe.

"Ok let's get going," said Bob.
"We finally found the Christmas star," said Joe.

"It was rough but we made it," said Bob.
"Three days till we find baby Jesus," said Joe.

"When we got there the baby was 1 week old," said Bob.

"The baby was cute," said Joe.

"We rested from the long journey."

By: Caleb and Chance



"Sup what's your name? Mine is Karl the camel," said Karl.

"Hello my name is Jeff the donkey," said Jeff.

"Hey Jeff do you know what that star means?" said Karl.

"I think I heard a baby crying in that stable over there," said Jeff.

"Do you want to go check it out?" said Karl.

"Sure why not we have nothing else to do," said Jeff.

"Let's do it!" said Karl.

"So we are actually doing this," said Jeff.

"Yeah we are doing this," said Karl.

"We are here now, what do we do," said Jeff.

"We can hop the fence or go in the gate," said Karl.

"I think we should hop the fence," said Jeff.

"Ok, let's do it," said Karl.

"Ok we are in so do we look at the baby," said Jeff.

"Yeah," said Karl.

"Why is that baby sleeping in a manger," said Jeff.

"That might be the only place where he can sleep Jeff," said Karl.

By : Jake and Robert





“Why are we walking so much?” said Johnny.

“I don’t know man,” said Debra.

“Wait why are we stopping?” said Johnny.

“Dude, why are you asking so many questions?” said Debra.

“I hear a baby’s cry. Do you?” said Johnny.

“Ya dude totally,” said Debra.

The wise men took them inside and Johnny said, “It must be the newborn king.”

“Man that’s cool,” said Debra .

By: Brodie and Brayden

“I’m tired of all of these animals licking me,” said the manger

“I’m tired of being sat on and being stabbed with splinters,” said the swaddling cloth.

“Who is that? Someone is walking to our stable,” said the manger.

“Finally I’m not being sat on anymore,” said the swaddling cloth.

“What is all that weight on me?” said the manger.

“Finally I’m being used for something that’s not a seat,” said the swaddling cloth.

“Oh! There is a baby on me,” said the manger. “I am wrapped around the King of the Jews,”

said the swaddling cloth. “And there are three men coming.”

By: Hunter and Xavier



Lee the sheep said, “Did you see that bright star?”

“Yes,” Lee said

“I saw that bright star,” Anna.

“Lee did you see that strange man and woman on the donkey?”

“Yes, I saw that woman, man, and donkey.”

“Anna, why did they not let them in any of the inns?”

“That was kind of rude.”

“Then they went to a random inn. Then they stayed the night.”

By: Ezra and Rory

“Hi, I’m Harold,” said one camel to the donkey.
The donkey said, “Hi, I’m Bob.”

“I haven’t slept in nine months because of this star,” said the camel.

“Wow!” said the donkey. “Can you show me it?”

“Yeah sure,” said the camel.

“Is it a far walk?” asked the donkey.

“No, not at all, actually it is right here” said the camel.

“Wow! The star is beautiful. Thank you for showing me it,” said the donkey.

By: Cooper and Calvin



“This grass is tasty.” said Bob the sheep.

“I know right.” said Jeff the donkey. Then suddenly a bright angel appeared.

The angel said, “Jesus is HEEERE, YAAAY. Come to Bethlehem.”

“That’s cool right, Bob? Bob. Bob! BOB!!!” exclaimed Jeff. He didn’t know it but Bob had fainted in amazement. The bright thingy left.

Jeff said, “That was cool”

“What happened?” asked Bob.

“Only the best thing ever!” exclaimed Jeff.

“Oh,” said Bob “I can’t believe I missed it.” Then they went on eating their grass.



By: Liam and Jack

“Hi my name is jerry.”

“Hi my name is jeff.”

“And I could not sleep last night because of a star.”

“Me? I’m lighting the way for the wise men.”

“Ok,I just could not sleep,and can you lead me to Bethlehem.”

“Yes,who are you with?”

“I am with Mary and Joseph and Mary is pregnant with the Messiah.”

“I am the star of God!”

By: Noah and Nolen



“Hi bright star up in the sky,” said the donkey.

“Hi little donkey,” said the bright star.

“My name is Leo. What's your's?”

“I don't have a name. I'm just a star,” said the star. “Where are you going?”

“I'm taking Mary to Bethlehem,” said the star.

“Oh, one of my friends told me that an angel namd Gabriel came to Mary and called him Jesus.” said the star.

“Oh, I thought I was just taking her to Bethlehem. I didn't know she was going to have her baby,” said the donkey.

“Yep, that's what happened,” said the star.

By: Meghan and Alyssa

“Is the king 'born yet ?” said the camel

“Well,I don't know ,maybe.” says the sheep

“Great,we're almost to Bethlehem.”the camel said

“ I heard the Wise Men say we are in Bethlehem. “said the sheep

“Well, I think we just have to find the stable where baby Jesus

Is laying. “Says the camel

“Ok,I hope we can.said the sheep

“Look,I see the stable!said the camel

“I'm so excited.”says the sheep

“Now, we're heading in the stable.”said the camel

“I can't believe there's a now born king on me!”said the manger
To itself

“The new born king is born,!”said everyone

By: Sydney and PRabhgun



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Fifth Grade

Mr. Krueger

The 5th graders studied legends of fictional creatures in reading and history. They have written their own legends about their fictional animals!

The Legend of the Tigat

By: Lily W.

Once there was a princess named Ruby who was walking along the edge of a forest. She was looking for an apple tree that she planted about five years ago so she could make apple pies. While the princess was looking for the tree she saw an animal but it was unlike any animal she had ever seen. It had the head and legs of a cat, a tail and ears of a dog, and the body of a tiger.



The creature, which she decided to call a Tigat, seemed to have hurt its leg so the princess brought the tigat back to the castle where her mom cleaned the wound which wasn't as bad as they thought it would be. A week later the tigat was better and was able to walk and run. The princess's mom said it was time to let the tigat go now that it was healed, but Princess Ruby didn't want to let the tigat go and that was good since the tagat didn't want to go either. Ruby's parents agreed to let the princess keep the tigat which Ruby named Princess Sparkles.

After a month of playing together, Princess Sparkles agreed to let Ruby ride her. They rode until dinner where Ruby shared her food with the tigat. After another month of playing, the tigat was made a guard right outside the castle, but Princess Sparkles didn't want to be a guard until she knew that Princess Ruby had to go back to school on Wednesday. Then she didn't care because she would stand guard until Ruby came home from school and then they would play.

The end.

The Torhorcatle

By: Josie W.

Once upon a time, there was a tropical island that had a spell cast upon it. There was a magical fruit that grew from a very rare and magical tree. The island was known for its magical tree in the center of the jungle. There was a kingdom in the jungle that had a king, queen, and the beloved princess. The king and queen spoiled the princess with many pets, the most beautiful and strongest tiger in the jungle to protect her, the most beautiful and fluffiest cat to calm her, the most strongest and fast orca in the nearby ocean, the most fast, beautiful, and strongest horse in the whole jungle, and even an eagle that was considered “mythical” to the kingdom that was sent by another kingdom that lived in the mountains far away. The princess loved her pets and kept them. Once, the kingdom was under a raid by their enemy. The princess was in panic and was looking for food for her pets. She went into the castle kitchen and grabbed what she thought was her pets’ food. Instead, it was the magical fruit. She gave it to her pets as she was sadly kidnapped by the other kingdom. The fruit had a spell of combining multiple creatures together that ate the fruit. From that day, the princess’s pets are still stuck as one body.



The end.

The Taxxer

By: Abram S.



Once upon a time, there was war in the land. All the animals wanted power. The forest was great. It had a lake, grass, trees, and food. The more they fought, the more the lake shrunk, and the land was worse. One day there was a war all the animals were fighting, the bear, the dogs, the snakes, and the bulls. All of them combined and created the Taxxer. It was a powerful ruler. There was peace, and the land was once again great.

The end.

The Dracer

By: Colton S.

The Dracer has a head of a lion, a tail of an alligator, and the wings, talons, and the body of an eagle. Legend tells us that an alligator, a lion, and an eagle all died in the same place. Five years later, after they died, the animal was born from the ground. The Dracer would fly around the king's castle and torment them. They tried to fight it off or kill it. They couldn't do that for a while. After five years of tormenting them, they killed it. After all of that, the Dracer just wanted a place to live. A few weeks later the king thought about what went down, and he felt kind of bad. He asked his mad scientist in the castle to try and create a breed that was like the Dracer. He tried and tried. One day he successfully did it! For the rest of time the Dracer was a new species.



The end.

The Legend of the CowCh-Fidog

By: Jonah S.

Once upon a time, I was walking in the woods on a bright starry day. All of a sudden, a weird creature popped out of the woods and attacked me! The creature realized I was a human, and I started to talk to it. I asked the creature and said, "Who are you?" The creature replied and said, "I am a creature, the only CowCh-Fidog in the universe." "So how did you become the CowCh-Fidog?", I asked. The CowCh-Fidog replied and said, "We were all fighting one day on our farmer's farm, me the chicken, the cow, and the dog. We all started to bite each other then all of a sudden a fish jumped out of the farm pond, and then we became the CowCh-Fidog. The farmer saw us and tried to fix us, but he couldn't. So that night I decided to run away into the woods, and here we are now." "Cool!" I said. So we became best friends forever.



The end.

The Byotegir

By: Ryan P.

Once upon a time, there was an animal called the Byotegir. It looked very scary, but it was just very sad. It had no friends. One day the Byotegir saw a castle. The Byotegir was very hungry and thirsty. It went inside to look for food, but there was a king. The king was scared of it, but the Byotegir was not trying to harm the king. The animal said, "Do you have any food or water?" The king said, "Yes." The Byotegir asked if it could stay the night at the castle? The king said, "Sure, but you have to guard the castle and make sure nobody breaks in. The Byotegir said it would try to keep anybody from breaking in. The next day the animal was outside the castle and heard something. The animal looked and saw hunters. The animal realized the castle gate was locked. The Byotegir tried to hide but the hunters noticed him and shot at him and hit him. The king heard the gunshot and went outside and saw the hunters. The king used its magic wand to kill the hunters. The king called out for the Byotegir and heard nothing. The king went back inside and saw the Byotegir laying there dead.



The end.

The Story of the Vrumnes

By: Dylan L.

Once upon a time, there was a tree where an evil wizard lived. He wanted to rule all of the world, so he made the animals evil and commanded them to kill anything, show no mercy, destroy everything in sight and bring all the treasure to him. There was one animal he couldn't capture and feared a very long time: the Senmurvs. The Senmurvs could cure evil and were considered very rare. Because he didn't know that, he sent his evil animal army to wipe out the Senmurvs' population, every last one of them. But the Senmurvs cured the animals' evilness. Furious over his loss, he used some of his wealth to buy a well-equipped army and sent the army after the Senmurvs. Because the men weren't possessed by magic and were paid to do it. Then the Senmurvs hid from the men. Because the Senmurvs were so rare, they couldn't even find one of them. They stopped searching and begged their master to stop searching, so he did. The wizard was in rage, he wanted to destroy all the Senmurvs ... but how? He kept on thinking, then he came up with an idea! He ordered all of his soldiers to find where the Senmurvs lived. He finally found where they lived: magic trees. Because he ran out of money, his army stopped obeying him and left. He found a magic tree himself. He found one, just one, because he was 249 years old, his old age spell was going to kill



him in 30 seconds. Out of hope, he said his last magic spell “ Vivamus contrarium malum facere in hac arbore ” and died. 59 years later... animal kind has returned to normal. Nobody forgot about the evil wizard. Some people say he is still alive. Others say he died.

One day two Senmurvs mated by a tree, but the tree teleported them to the sixth dimension in which everything was cursed. It was magic. They didn't know that. A baby was born, however, it came out backwards. It's head was like a pigeon's. The body was a dog's. The legs were like eagles! Today, nobody has seen it because it is not in this dimension. It lives in the sixth dimension's most common place: Mudland, where everything is mud and the magic trees only help the evil.

The end.

The Journey

By: Marion H.

Once upon a time, there was an old farmer. He lived all by himself in a forest. He was poor and didn't have anything of great value, but he did have one special pet named Dofahse. She was a very special pet, because she was part fox, part cheetah, part dolphin, and part horse and she could talk. One day the farmer got very sick. He needed to get the doctor right away, but the doctor lived on the other side of the forest across the river.



Dofahse said that she would go. The farmer thought this idea was very dangerous, but he said yes because it was his only choice. The next day Dofahse left on her journey. She had only walked a little bit when she saw a giant bear charging her way! Dofahse had cheetah legs so she could run very fast. Soon she easily outran the bear and continued on her journey. In a little while, Dofahse saw that the sun was setting, and she was getting very tired. She found a fox lying on the ground. She asked the fox if he could find her a place to sit. The fox said yes but only if

Dofahse could find something for her to eat. Dofahse found some flowers that the fox could eat, and the fox found her a place to sleep. In the morning, she started walking again. After a short time, she came to the river. She needed to get across and her only option was to swim across. This was easy for Dofahse because she had a dolphin tail. After she easily swam across she kept walking and soon got to the doctor's house!

The end.

Chance

By: Calista S.

Once upon a time there was a girl named Jessica who owned a puppy named Chloe. This puppy was very cute and playful. However the puppy did not like to be alone with the neighbors' cat Clover because the cat was always sharpening his claws and was ready to attack when he needed to. He loved to attack Chloe. One day Jessica was babysitting the neighbors cat and wanted to take Chloe on a walk, so he decided to take them both on a walk to the zoo. First, they went to see a giraffe named Issy. While they were watching Issy eat, a baby dolphin named Stella jumped out of the water onto the ground where they were standing. He flopped over to where Issy was. Then Chloe and Clover chased Stella into Issy's cage at the zoo. This attracted Issy, the giraffe, she came over to where Chloe, Clover, and Stella were. Then out of Jessica's eye she saw, somehow like magic, a creature appeared. It looked like a combination of a dog, cat, dolphin, and a giraffe. Jessica had no clue what had happened but hurried to get the zoo manager. He was amazed at what she said had happened but believed her. They decided to try and reverse it to get the animals back to normal but couldn't the zoo had never had this happen to them before. Jessica and the zoo manager decided it was best if they kept it at the zoo. The next day Jessica went to the zoo and found this animal still here. She thought that overnight it would change back to normal, but it did not. She wondered why there was an extra large claw on the animal's foot. Jessica called the vet. He came over and examined its foot and said it might be there for protection. Some odd animals have that he said. Jessica decided to leave it in the zoo, and she named it Chance. He still remains at the zoo from this day on.



The end.

The Legend of the Larian

By: Lauren K.

Long, long ago, a young girl named Naiomi was playing in her backyard. She saw dark rain clouds, so she started to go back home. Naiomi was walking when she realized she couldn't find her way back home. Naiomi stayed calm and tried to trace her path. Still, she couldn't find her house. Suddenly, the first rain drop fell from the clouds. The raindrop landed right on her nose. She looked down at it and noticed it was a glittering pink color. Naiomi gasped. She remembered her parents telling her about the rain. "It comes once in five-thousand years." Her parents told her. Naiomi didn't know what it would do to her, so she kept walking in the pink rain. Naiomi yelled for her parents, but all that came out was a lion's roar. Her head turned into a lion's. Naiomi got the body of an elephant. The wings of an eagle, and the tail of a dolphin. This is what the pink rain did to her. Naiomi was scared. Animals attacked her, but she didn't know how to defend herself. The town heard about the new animal, but didn't know it was Naiomi. Hunters came searching in the woods for her, and the town people feared her. They wanted to kill her. The hunters tried to burn down the forest that she lived in. Naiomi protected it because it was a sacred forest. The townspeople and hunters realized what they were doing was wrong, and loved Naiomi from that day even though she was an animal. To this day she is known as the Larian.



The end.

The Legend of Pigeagle

By: Joshua M.

Once upon a time in a village in China, an evil creature would attack the village every night taking one person to its nest to devour. One day the village sent three explorers to find where the beast lives. They found it, but only one person made it back. He described the animal as a bird with a huge pigeon body, the head, beak, and talons of an eagle, along with the eye of a chameleon so you can't sneak up on it. It also had the back legs of a dog. The village asked the wisest man in the village to help them. He said he would work on it. Every day the village got smaller and smaller, weaker and weaker, until a month later the wise man got it. He made a strong woven net to throw over the beast. He tied it to the ground. Finally, the day came when the village got someone to go outside at night. In the middle of the night, they saw it. They gave the signal to



gather around the bait. They threw the net over it and moved away. Then, everyone ran out to nail it to the ground. A bit later they secured and killed the beast. They feasted on the beast and lived happily ever after.

The end.

The Legend of the Frólizqk

By: Bradley W.

One summer day in 962 A.D., a dragon was flying over a mountainous region in Southern Ireland. The dragon saw a wolf chasing a fox in the valley between Mt. Carrauntoohil, and Mt. Cnoc na Péiste. The fox was yelling, “Help! Help!” The dragon liked foxes, so he took a deep breath and fire came out of his mouth, and burnt the wolf! The dragon’s fire was so large, it also hit a lion and burnt it’s tail off! The flame also burnt a feather off of an eagle, and the feather fell from the sky. The fire was big, but the fire didn’t get to the fox, so it was safe. “Thanks”, said the fox, “How can I repay you?” The dragon said, “If I ever get hurt, please come and help me.” Then, the dragon ate a hair/feather of each animal to gain power, and it did. The dragon developed a (larger than average) wolf body, wings and talons of an eagle, and a tail of a lion. The dragon was known as a frólizqk /frolisk/. That night, the frólizqk was flying, and a storm blew in and it started to rain. Lighting lit the dark sky, thunder echoed, and rain was coming down from the sky. During the storm, the frólizqk’s tail was struck by lightning, and the tip of his tail was on fire! The lightning also hit his wing, and the frólizqk started to fall to the ground! The fox saw the incident and rushed over. The fox saw that the frólizqk’s wing was burnt, so, the fox rushed to the ocean and found a bucket someone left. The fox lowered the bucket in the cold water and rushed back and poured the cool water on the burnt spot on the frólizqk’s wing. The frólizqk stood up and said “Thank you, fox!” The fox said “No problem, you helped me, so, I helped you!” Since then, the frólizqk has roamed Southern Ireland (with it’s fire tail) for a long, long time.



The end.

The Legend of the Dogrieltun

By: Rashiya T.

On Sunday morning my mom asked me to take the dog out for a walk. I agreed. I was outside walking the dog when we saw a bunny. My dog wanted to eat the bunny, so I tried to walk him back to the house. He ran with me. Trying to hold the leash in my hand, I let go. "Oh shoot," I said. It was 20 minutes later when I found him in a park with a bunny's tail in his mouth. I tried to pick him up but he bit me. I called mom, and she said she will be right over. Then my dog fell asleep out of

nowhere. The next morning Mom yelled and said, "OUR DOG HAS A BUNNY'S TAIL!" Hearing that, I ran downstairs to see mom and dad jumping and yelling. I said, "It's ok, let's just take our dog to the vet or doctor." Mom said, "Ok, but ..." Dad cut her off saying, "DO NOT STAND THERE ... LET'S GO!!" A week later we took our dog to the zoo. Our dog saw some giraffes. My mom said "Look at the Elephants!" I looked, and when I looked at our dog, he was in the cage with the giraffes! I screamed, "MOM OUR DOG, LOOK, LOOK!"



Then the giraffe ate our dog. Mom said to dad, "GET THE DOG!!" my dad said, "I can't get eaten too!" 20 seconds later the giraffe jumped over the gate and ran to the elephants. The elephants got scared and ran away, but the giraffe was too fast and ate the elephant. That same night a tall giraffe with a dog head, bunny tail, and some elephant legs showed up at our house. My mom asked, "Is it you, our dog?" The animal said "Yes, it is me, your dog I'm very hungry" My mom backed up, but it was too late. The dog ate my mom with me, my brother, and my dad there. It ran into the woods, and to this day, no one knows where the Dogrieltun is.

The end.

The Legend of the Alvetdent

By: Owen T.

Once upon a time, an alvetdent lived in the woods. The king was looking for an animal that could guard the castle. He found an Alvetdent that sleeps all day long. The king asked the Alvetdent if he would like to guard the castle. The Alvetdent said, "Yes, yes I would like to guard your castle if I could earn \$0.10 a day!" The king said, "Yes, I will pay you \$0.10 a day to guard my castle." The next day he got up early from sleeping to guard the castle. One day a robber tried to break into the castle. The Alvetdent scared him and ran him up a tree. Then, he felt very hungry, so he decided to go up the tree but he didn't get him. So the next day, the Alvetdent went to the king and asked if he could retire? The King asked, "Do you want more money?" The Alvetdent said, "No, no I'm tired and ready to sleep all day long." They lived happily ever after.



The end.

The Noise in the Woods

By: Mason K.

Hello, my name is El Nino Toro which means, “the boy bull”. One day I heard a noise like a roar. I was scared and wanted to find out what it was. So I started knocking down trees and found a lion. His name was Leo. He said, “He was the king of the jungle!” I was mad that he said he was the king, so I knocked him down. He bit me and said, “STOP”. I swung around and said, “Go away!” He said, “No!” He kept following me, so I ran and got away. Then a UFO



came and sucked me up. Then I woke up and wondered where I was. I remembered that I got sucked up by a UFO, and then I fell. I found the exit, jumped out with a parachute, and found the noise in the woods. It was an alien that was eating grass. I screamed in fear. It said, “Don’t be scared. I only eat grass.” I said, “ok” and walked off. I walked and ran into the lion. I got up and ran away. I said that the lion talks too much. I was exhausted. I found my cave and went to go lay down. My eyes were heavy and my legs hurt so much. I yawned and then I went to bed. The next day, I saw no

animals. I was kind of scared. I got up and saw a ram. That was it. I asked the ram where everyone was, he said, “Beeeeeeet!” I was kind of weirded out but ok. I walked and saw a tree and some flowers. I found the lion named Leo. He said, “Oh, hi, how are you?” I said, “I’m fine.” I asked Leo where everyone went. He said, “They all went to South America.” I said, “what!” He said, “Yeah!” I was kind of mad that they left me without telling me where they went. But felt bad for Leo and said, “Well, we’re stuck here.” They came back four years later. We were happy, but mad at the same time. We welcomed them home and said, “Glad your back.”

The end.

Opal

By: Amelia H.

Once upon a time there was an animal named Opal. She was nice and an extraordinary animal. She was also calm and quiet. She loved climbing trees and also loved playing with other animals like monkeys, wolves, birds, bears, zebras, and other types of animals. Then one day, a girl named Aubrey was walking in the forest and saw Opal. She was so shocked because she had never seen such an animal like Opal before. She went up to Opal as quiet and careful as she could because she did not want to startle Opal. Then Opal turned around and was confused because she had never seen a human before, so she looked at Aubrey and asked, "Who are you? What are you doing here?" Aubrey answered back saying, "I was just taking a walk in the forest." "What type of animal are you? I have never seen anything like you before?" Opal answered back to her saying, "I am a Triandaphant which means I a tiger, panda, and an elephant, but you can call me Opal." Then Aubrey said, "My name is Aubrey, and your name is beautiful." Then Opal said, "Thank you, your name is beautiful as well." "Thank you!" said Aubrey. "You wanna be friends?" asked Aubrey. Opal responded, "Of course! I would love to."



Then, after that, a storm started to happen. Opal said, "Follow me!" So Aubrey followed Opal. She was running straight toward a tree. Aubrey said, "What are you doing?" Opal goes right through the tree and into a portal. She then goes into a black hole and into her world with millions of other animals kind of like her, but with different kinds of animals. When Aubrey saw this, she was so shocked to see all these different types of animals. When she asked Opal what is this place she answered, "This is my home Lantopia, full of different types of animals like whales, bears, polar bears, eagles, lions, mountain lions, birds, giraffes, and much more." So then Aubrey asked,

"Why is it hidden?" Opal answered, "Long ago our ancestors lived freely outside of the tree. In the wild, we had food, water, everything they ever needed, but then people started to find us and many of our kind died. Only a couple of people lived. My great great grandpa who survived said, "We will build a place where we can stay safe and have everything we will ever need, and will make sure only we can come in! So ever since we have stayed here for many years and have never got caught till you, you weren't meant to see me." So Aubrey said to her, "I'm sorry I really didn't know. I wasn't supposed to see you! If you need me to leave I will." Then Opal said, "No, it's ok. The king will be pleased that you didn't even try to hurt me because the people long ago tried hurting us and trying to use us as money, and other things like decorations and other things." So Aubrey said, "I didn't know they were using you like that, I am SO sorry that they did this to you. They should be ashamed of themselves!!!" "Oh no, you don't have to say that. They didn't even know that we were nice. They thought we were trying to hurt them, but they never gave us a chance to say something," said Opal. "NO!" "We should have given you a chance to explain yourselves and let you live in the wild like you used to!" said Aubrey. "It's ok," said Opal. So they went to the King and he agreed that Aubrey could come whenever she wanted to. For a while she came to Lantopia. Then one day, when she was going there, another person saw her go into Lantopia. So that person went into Lantopia. When Aubrey went in there she saw him, and said, "WHAT ARE YOU DOING IN HERE! You aren't supposed to be in here!!!" He answered back, "I saw you come in through the tree and was like ... how did she do

that?" She was confused because no one ever went in the forest but her. She was also confused because asked him, "Do you always come out here?" He said, "Yes." She was confused because she had never seen him in the forest before. So then, she went to Opal and asked, "Have you seen this boy before?" She said, "Yes." He never saw her. They became friends because Opal was fine with him being in there because he didn't hurt any of the other animals. Then, for a long time, they have all been friends and went to Lantopia ever since. No one else ever found out. In the end, they both turned 16. They both became the guardians of Lantopia.

The end.

**The Tale of The Vortiger
By: Henrik G.**

One day a knight was roaming around in a forest with his Brigade when they encountered the Vortiger. The Vortiger said in his loud booming voice, "WHO GOES THERE?" The Brigade and the Knights bones were shaking in their skin. The Knight said, "I am Chauncey the 2nd with my brigade." The Vortiger said, "I have heard great things about you Chauncey. Now follow me," the Vortiger said. The Vortiger led them to a structure that seemed like a temple for witches. This is my home, the Vortiger said. Although the Brigade and Chauncey were scared, they still went in. When they went in, they saw many beds, enough beds for every soldier. The Brigade and Chauncey were tired, so they rested. They woke up in what seemed to be a jungle. They called for the Vortiger, He never responded. After days of exploring the Brigade, Chauncey found a mysterious portal. They went to the portal and were in the Vortiger's home. The Vortiger saw them and he said, "Oh, there you are! I've been looking all over for you all day. We must have a feast to celebrate your return." After the feast, they returned to Law Castle. The Vortiger followed. The Vortiger asked to protect Law Castle, of course they said, "Yes." Now, the Vortiger protects Law Castle.



The end.

The Story of the Bunnguroo

By: Teagan W.

The Bunnguroo is what we would call a myth, a legend, NOT REAL... at least that's what we all thought. The creature goes by the name Bunnguroo for one reason only, the Bunnguroo has the head of a bunny, the neck of a giraffe, the body of a turtle, and the tail, arms and feet of a kangaroo. Now I will tell you the story of this magical creature. The story of the Bunnguroo takes place a while back in Australia. There was a kangaroo, a giraffe, a turtle, and a bunny. Eventually the kangaroo and the giraffe fell in love then the turtle and the bunny fell in love too. The kangaroo and the giraffe had one baby but the baby wasn't a kangaroo or a giraffe it was a Gangaraffe the upper part of its body was a giraffe and the lower part was a kangaroo. Then when the turtle and the bunny had a baby it wasn't a turtle or a bunny it was a Burtle, it had the head of a turtle and the rest of it was a bunny. And THEN the Burtle and the Gangaraffe met then THEY fell in love and had a baby with the head of a bunny, the neck of a giraffe, the body of a turtle, and the arms, tail, and feet of a kangaroo. And it has the perfect name... the Bunnguroo. The Bunnguroo was a very magical creature but the thing is it wasn't just called a



magical creature it really was magical. The Bunnguroo came from a long line of love so the Bunnguroo gave it back to the world. Whenever the Bunnguroo saw anyone fighting it just blew a kiss and they weren't fighting anymore. One day the Bunnguroo was walking through the forest and a hunter saw it. The hunter was amazed by this creature. He had never seen anything like it. The hunter only ever saw deer, rabbits, and other forest creatures. When he saw it I bet You think he said, "Wow this is so amazing that I would get to witness such a beautiful creature." But no, he said "Wow that creature looks really rare and if I can catch it I bet I could sell it for a lot of money then I'll get really rich and live in a big mansion." The hunter followed the Bunnguroo and found where it was living. The hunter decided to set a trap while the Bunnguroo was sleeping. The next morning after the hunter finished setting the trap he hid behind a bush and

waited. Then almost an hour later the trap went off and when he went to see if it was the Bunnguroo all he saw in the trap was a rock he mumbled to himself, "The creature is clever but I will catch it." He searched for years but never found it. Eventually others started looking for it and the Bunnguroo had to hide away. 100's of years have passed and none have found it. Most people have given up on ever finding it. And some don't even believe in it anymore. But there are still some people out there who believe in it; they aren't looking for it; they just believe that someday the Bunnguroo will come back and restore the world to its rightful place, not of fighting or perfection just how it should be.

The End

Sixth Grade

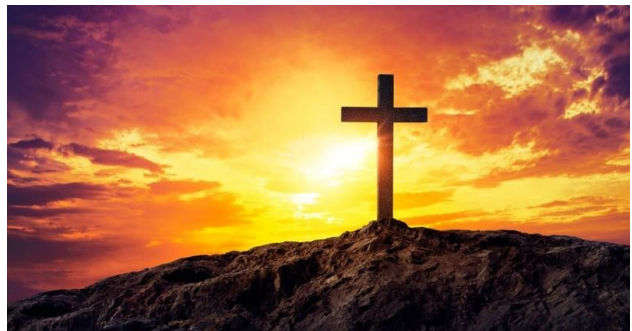
Mrs. Hasamear

The sixth graders are reading *Number the Stars*, a historical fiction novel set in Denmark during WWII. The Nazis have occupied Denmark and have begun relocating the Danish Jews. The main character, Annemarie, is only 11 years old. She often wonders if she is brave; would she make a valiant choice if these grave times placed her in a position where she need to make tough decision? The students are enjoying learning about this time in history as well as learning how Annemarie evolves throughout the story. The theme of bravery has come up in many of our class discussions. As a result, the students were asked to define bravery and identify the bravest person they know and why.

James A.

Matthew 14:27 states, “But immediately Jesus spoke to them saying, ‘Take heart; it is I.

Do not be afraid.’” Bravery is when you take risks--you forget about the danger and all that is in your mind is to help someone in need. If you are brave, you will do anything for someone in need. The bravest person I can think of is Jesus.



Jesus is the bravest person because he stood before Pilate, Herod, and crowds of people, was scourged and beaten, mocked and humiliated, nailed to a cross and suffered there for hours, plus taking on the sins of everyone in the past, present, and future. He also had to go to Hell to fight the Devil and after winning he died. If you wondered what bravery is, this is your definition.

Isaac B.

“Success is not final, failure is not fatal: it is the courage to continue that counts.” “Fear cuts deeper than swords.” “A brave man acknowledges the strength of others.” Veronica Roth. What is bravery? To me, bravery is going through tough, horrible events and still having faith to move

on and go throughout life. Many people have suffered or are in pain because of a certain event. Those who are brave can take what happened to them and allow that as a way to keep pushing.



The bravest person I know has to be my grandfather.

On that side of my family, my uncle or my grandfather's son betrayed him and neglected him for money and locked him in a nursing home, but my grandfather still went out and prayed and called my

family. He shows me that through true darkness there is

always light at the end of the tunnel. What people should realize about bravery is that even if something is scary or hard, there is always a way out and to get passed whatever that blockade is.

Bradley D.

What comes to your mind when someone says "Bravery"? A knight rescuing a maiden? Standing up for someone who's being bullied? Well, here's what bravery means to me. Bravery means standing up to potential danger. It could be saving a person from an avalanche or climbing a tall, steep cliff. The bravest person I know is Jesus. He told the truth against the Jewish religion and willingly was crucified. I want you to remember, being brave can save a life.



Grayson G.

What do I think it takes to be brave? I think it takes an act that endangers the person but helps



other people. The reason why I think that is because not many people would normally save a person, but some people do, and normally when they do, they can risk their own life trying to save the person's life. I think that the bravest person is Louis Zamperini. I think that he is the

bravest person because he risked his life to save not only our country, but his brothers in arm, and he tried to save some of his crewmates, and he did, but they eventually died, but he still tried to save them, and he had to endure through Japanese work camps to survive, and he was beat up in almost all of them. In conclusion, Louis Zamperini is the bravest person I know because he risked his life to save two crew members and lots of citizens, and while doing that, he had to endure multiple work camps, putting his body in a really weak state.

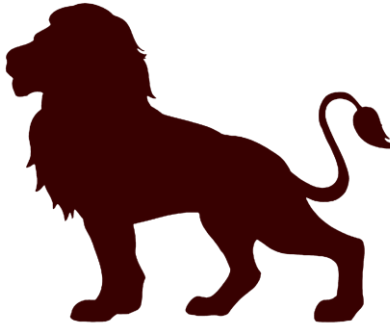
Ava G.

"Let us Be Courageous for our people." Bravery is protecting someone by risking your life by putting others first instead of our own. My sister is the bravest person I know. When I get hurt, my sister makes me feel better by hugging me or rocking me. Bravery is a lesson; if you see someone in trouble and it's scary, go help that person when they need you.



Dean H.

Bravery. The word brings to mind thoughts of not having fear. But bravery is more than being “fearless”; it is the concept of standing firm, even while being afraid. One can be brave with fear; bravery is fighting is right, to stand up for what cause. Some of the bravest such as the missionaries in Nero’s rule. If they weren’t would have done reckless them killed. But they shared didn’t fear death because they believed in God who defeated death with his own death and resurrection. Their bravery was drenched in fear and was stronger than most. They proved that bravery is more than courage. Bravery is knowing that God is stronger than your fear.



your fear to do what you think you believe, to defend your people in history had fears, the Roman Empire under frightened of Nero, they things that would have gotten the gospel, because they

Emily K.

“Am I brave?” I ask myself sometimes. “Will I be able not to freak out and be brave in times of trouble?” Well, I see in Joshua 1:9: “Have I not commanded you? Be strong and courageous. Do not be frightened, and do not be dismayed, for the Lord your God is with you wherever you go.” Does that have a good definition of bravery? Does it match the dictionary definition? Well, I think it is a great definition of bravery. I think that my mom fits into all of those categories she is the bravest person I know. She is very brave in times of trouble. We should all be that fearless.



Andrew L.

When do you need to be brave? Bravery is putting your self in a position where you in a



time of hardship and you step out and help them. The bravest person I know is Abraham Lincoln. He stood in front of people who could have easily killed him. He also drove around town even knowing he could have been shot. Bravery is the way to go!

Brynn N.

Then David said to Solomon his son, “Be strong and courageous and do it. Do not be afraid and do not be dismayed, for the Lord God, even my God, is with you. He will not leave you or forsake you, until all the work for the service of the house of the Lord is finished.” What

is bravery? Bravery is certain situations when danger or need. people you care about help those people feel



the ability to act courageous in someone or something is in Bravery is sticking up for the and saying the right things to safe. The bravest person I know

is my mom. She would definitely be there if anything was wrong. She sacrifices a lot for me and my brother. Remember to be brave in all situations, but to be braver than the rest when the time comes.

Grace P.

Have you ever wondered what it means to be brave? In my opinion, someone who is brave is someone who has courage and is willing to do something even if it may be scary or out of their comfort zone. True bravery doesn't have to be doing something big, by risking your life, but it can be something small, like helping someone who no one else will help even though you may get made fun of. The bravest people I know are my grandpas. They both served this country and protected it to keep it safe even though they were in risk of danger.



Aidan P.

Bravery is an important trait to have because you can do what is right. Be brave, bravery is the willingness to fight, win or lose, without being scared. Soldiers go into war and have to be brave; firefighters and cops go to their job and risk their life when they could die and not come home to their families. Nurses have to go to a hospital and help the sick and see many people hurt or even dying. Rosa Parks, she was told to sit in the back of the bus for a white man because she was black. She refused and got taken to jail. She went to court and fought for her life, until she was found guilty. Bravery should be remembered for being not afraid.



Kaitlyn Pe.

Psalm 27:14 states, “Wait for the Lord; be strong, and let your heart take courage; wait for the Lord!” Someone is brave when they can push through the hard times. Someone is brave when people know they can depend on that person. If someone dies, then you want to depend on someone to help you get through it, even though the person you depend on is trying to get through it also. You know someone is brave when you can look up to them when you need help.

The bravest person I know is Daniel. He has been through who his dad is, his mom was just two weeks ago his to him, died. When I was at him, but he was trying his my family was mourning,



my 9-year-old cousin, so much. He doesn't know a drug addict and died, and grandpa, who was like a dad the funeral, I felt so bad for best to get through it. All of and he was trying to cheer us

up. The way you know someone is brave is if they help you no matter what.

Kaitlyn Pi.



What does it mean for a person to have bravery? Bravery is to do something that you might be afraid to do. That means that if you are afraid to do something you do it, and if there is something that you need to do but are nervous about it, you still do it. One of the bravest people I know is my mom's cousin who is a police officer. He is very brave because the job is very dangerous and there are criminals. The main message for the reader is that bravery is a very good trait to have.

Serena P.

What is Bravery? Bravery means courageous behavior or like having confidence in oneself. Bravery is also like having determination to get through something. Jesus is one person I know, and our Lord, who is the bravest out of everyone on this planet. Why? Because he went through a lot: the Jews tried to seize him, they whipped him 39 times, and he was- crucified. You don't have to be brave to accomplish something, just believe in yourself and focus.



Alex R.

Bravery means different things to different people. The Bible has many things to say regarding bravery, and we are told in Nehemiah 8:10, “Do not grieve, for the joy of the Lord is your strength.” The promise of Isaiah 41:10 is, “So do not fear, for I am with you; do not be dismayed, for I am your God. I will strengthen you and help you; I will uphold you with my

righteous right hand.” And our bravery is encouraged in Exodus 15:2 when we hear, “The Lord is my strength and my song; he has given me victory.” In my mind, bravery is doing something for another person even if you have to risk something. It happens if you had a choice to do something, which you likely don’t want to do, but you do it anyway even if you’re in danger. The bravest person I have known is Mr. Jim Stack. He was drafted and served two tours of



duty in the Vietnam War. Mr. Stack volunteered for the second tour of duty so his younger brothers didn’t have to go. If you did a second tour of duty, your family members didn’t have to get drafted for the war. All I’m trying to say is Mr. Stack could’ve died in battle, but to him, that would be better than a whole generation of a family that could be wiped out. I pay my respects to

Mr. Stack because, sadly, he died last year. Philippians 4:13 should be an encouragement to all of us to be brave. It tells us “I can do all this through him who gives me strength.”

Connor S.

“The opposite of bravery is not cowardice but conformity.” Bravery means doing something even though you are afraid to do it. This means if you are doing something you are afraid of but you do it anyway this is what bravery is. My dad is the bravest person I know. He does many brave things. You should be brave in your life.

Hayden S.

Bravery is of doing something that is or could be dangerous. I think the definition of



where you are not afraid



bravery is that you act fearless, you are willing to do dangerous stuff for other people. Brave people have fear; they just face their fear and overcome it. That is what I think bravery really is. The bravest person I know is my neighbor; he is a firefighter. Going into any type of fire is dangerous; in every single fire, you have a chance of death. If you want to be brave, find the right place to be brave, and when you are afraid of something, go do it anyway.

Jacob S.

I find that bravery is a lot easier when you don't know everything.

Bravery is when you do something that you don't want to do or you're scared of it, like going to the doctor's office to get shots. Being brave is more common when you don't know everything, like how much that tetanus shot



hurts or how big the spider is in your sibling's room. In my opinion, the bravest person I know is my dad. He always looks out for me. When I was two, he killed a black widow (spider) we found in an old toy in Tennessee. Always remember if you want to be brave then don't ask for answers.

Natalie T.

What is bravery? Bravery means a person that has courage and is willing to do things for other people. Bravery is sometimes means having the courage to drive a car, or ride a bike.

It is the way people help each other to go on with life.

The bravest person I know is my dad. He is willing to keep me safe and do things that are dangerous for me

and is always making sure I am safe. Everyone needs to be brave, so we can all help each other.



Autumn W.

What is bravery? I think bravery is having to do with being strong. It is something that you have to be in some situations. The bravest person I know is Jesus Christ. He had to be very, very brave to be nailed to a cross and die for our sins. What I want my reader to know is that you have to be brave even though you don't want to.



Seventh Grade

Mrs. Hasamear

The seventh graders just completed a research unit. They had to choose an invention created before 1950 and write a research paper about how this invention impacted our society.

Why the Revolver Was Invented



By: Andrew B.

Before the revolver was invented, a person could only shoot a gun once before reloading. However, the invention of the revolver changed this. The inventor of the revolver was Samuel Colt. This weapon was invented so soldiers could fire more than one time. Before, it would take a really long time to reload the single shot weapons. This later helped weapons to evolve into how weapons work today. The revolver has revolutionized the way firearms work today.

Samuel Colt became fascinated by engineering at a young age. Although, he was not very well educated. He was actually kicked out of school at 16. He was sent to a boarding school on a ship by his dad ("Samuel Colt"). That is when he became fascinated by how the ship's wheel could spin or be locked in a position by using a clutch. This was a key moment that got Samuel interested in physics and engineering.

The reason the revolver was called the revolver, is because of the cylinder shape chamber. The weapon is called the revolver because when a bullet shoots it spins to the next bullet. When the chamber spins in a circular motion it "Revolves". Like if it was going around it ("Not Even Past"). This, to Samuel Colt, was the easiest way to transition to another bullet quickly without reloading.

The Colt Revolver revolutionized the firearm industry at that time. This later led people to invent the automatic handgun. The automatic handgun had a mag that held bullets. This mag held way more bullets than Colt's revolver did. The mag was stored in a chamber in the handle of the gun. Colt's revolver was the reason more guns were made. Because of his technology they were able to improve it and make it better (Bellis). In the end, because of Samuel Colt many engineers have followed in his footsteps and made better handguns.

Samuel Colt is a very large reason for how firearms are made today. The invention of the revolver was very significant to the firearm industry. It helped others gain ideas of their own to efficiently reload a handgun and shoot multiple times. Samuel Colt will forever be recognized as a very important man in the firearm industry.



The Atomic Booooooomb

By: Benji B.

The atomic bomb had 12,000 pounds of TNT, that is six elephants full of TNT. The atomic bomb is a big part of history. The bomb also played a big part in a lot of countries in WWII. If the United States did not drop this bomb, the war would not have ended and there would have been a lot more lives lost. The atomic bomb has revolutionized the way wars are fought.

J. Robert Oppenheimer was a smart man who brought this beast to life. He went to Harvard for his education, however it was postponed due to an illness that he was experiencing. He finished college with a degree in fission and chemical science. Harvard is a really hard school to get into, and Oppenheimer persevered through the process and moved forward in science. Oppenheimer invented the atomic bomb, and he also was a leader in the atomic fission commission (AHF editors). The atomic bomb was a very good but dangerous invention. If he did

not invent the bomb, the war might not have been over. Also, the AFC is a really hard disciplined group that studies atomic fission.

The warfare of bombs changed when the bomb was invented. The world only had little bombs that did not do much damage compared to the atomic bomb, and the little bombs did not destroy cities once on impact. The little bombs could have affected the city of Hiroshima and Nagasaki but the atomic bomb only took one bomb and a bomber plane. The invention of the atomic bomb is still able to be used but society hopes that the bomb will not be used again after what happened in the war (OSU.EDU E History). The atomic bomb was so scary and so powerful that people really don't want this bomb to become active again, after the bombings of Hiroshima and Nagasaki.

The atomic bomb has affected society in damage to two cities, and also a tension with the soviets. This invention was invented to end world war two, because Japan would not surrender at the end of the war. And because of that bomb, the war ended. If the bomb was not invented the war would not have ended and the war would have gone on but because of that invention the war ended. Also, the invention affected society with better technology, and more power but the negative was this bomb destroyed cities and created a nuclear tension that was looking like the end of the world (History.com editors). The tension between those two countries were scary as the soviets were working on their atomic weapons and the world went on panic.

In conclusion, the atomic bomb has changed the way wars are fought now in the world. The atomic bomb is so crucial to society and history after the droppings of "Little Boy" and "Fat Man", blowing up two cities to end WWII. If this was not invented the war would go on and more human lives would be lost.

The History of Railroads!

By: Natalia B.



The first land-moving vehicle made of metal was the railways! John Stevens invented the Railroads on Feb. 28, 1827. The first railroad was 13 miles long and was used to transport people, goods, and animals. The railroad was one of many things that influenced the past.

The inventor, John Stevens, impacted the world, not only with the railroads, but also with his other accomplishments. A man named George Stephenson originally invented the locomotive. That gave John Stevens the idea that it needed something to move on. He got the first railroad charter in 1815 (“The Beginnings of American Railroads and Mapping”). He invented and built the steamboat on his own. He also happened to be a lawyer (“John Stevens”).

The first railroad was more important than some people thought. It pioneered better traveling. It made traveling better because they didn’t have to find a place to stay each night. Most people rode in wagons or on a horse or donkey (“Kriger”). It made delivering things faster because on a train you can go up to 220 mph (“Joseph”). Knowing that, delivery companies started sending mail by train to the next town. Delivering was also easier because a train can carry to 315,000 lbs (“Allowable Gross Weight”).

The first railroad benefited the country by its weight capacity, length, and other extravagant facts. It can carry up to 315,000 lbs. Most trains back then carried people and animals, but today mostly people are delivered by train (“Allowable Gross Weight”). This helped the country because people could travel longer distances faster (“U.S. Railway Chartered”).

John Stevens’ invention of the railroad was one of the greatest accomplishments in national history (“John Stevens”). By inventing the railroads he made traveling faster and cheaper. The country also benefited because it gave the country a sense of strength and

confidence The railroads increased their confidence and made them proud of their country. Even though this was a great invention it also caused racial problems. The proof for this is, the Chinese helped build most of the railroads and then were excluded from entering the use for labor. It also hurt the environment by cutting down thousands of trees and hurting forests. The building of this also removed animals from natural habitat (“Kriger”).

Although we don’t think much of it today, the railroad was one of many things that pioneered the past. The railroads were designed to help people travel and deliver things faster. If the railroads weren’t invented the pioneering of steel, land- moving vehicles might never have stated. In conclusion, railroads were a great invention that helped the future.



The Impact of Pink Bubbles

By: Alyssa B.

Since ancient times, people have been intrigued by the idea of bubble gum. Many people in the United States have known of the pink substance all of their lives, and might even recall looking for gumball machines when they were children. Though it may surprise the people who don’t know a life without it, it hasn’t been around all that long. Nevertheless, its fame still remains and is a common item in many places. From its birth in an accountant’s workspace, to its zenith of fame on the baseball field, bubble gum has a fascinating history.

Both the time frame and the reason for the invention of bubble gum are in a league of their own. Gum that is incapable of creating such bubbles has been around since the time of the ancient Greeks, but after many people searched for the perfect bubble gum recipe and couldn’t find it, Frank Fler managed to do it in 1906. However, no one remembers him as the inventor because he chose not to sell it. Instead, an employee from his own company accomplished this tremendous goal and sold it for the first time in 1928. This genius was named Walter Diemer

(“History of Chewing Gum and Bubble Gum”). It’s a mystery as to whether Mr. Fleer held a grudge against Mr. Diemer for his accomplishment or not, but it was Fleer’s choice not to sell this life changing invention. Nevertheless, Mr. Diemer became the recognized inventor of bubble gum, even if he was only a little-known accountant who stumbled upon the perfect recipe completely by accident. That perfect recipe made the bubble gum sticky, but not too sticky and gave it lots of flexibility. It was a lucky streak that was broken almost immediately when he had another accident the next day: he misplaced his precious recipe and was unable to come across the perfect bubble gum for four long months (Rosenberg). Diemer persevered through those four months, but he never had an experience like this as far as the world knows. His short time in the spotlight may have been sufficient for a common accountant.

Bubble gum has gone through its own change, as well as changing the world forever. In 1977, Big League Chew, a brand of shredded bubble gum, hit the bullpen. It all began because a couple of pitchers found chewing tobacco revolting; they decided that the popular pink bubble gum would be the perfect solution. One of those pitchers, Rob Nelson, made the delectable candy in small pieces because he wanted the players to have control over the proportions (Wbur). From that magical day on, bubble gum was seen on the baseball field almost every game. To the world’s relief, the original bubble gum is still available and remains pink, even though we have access to other dyes, unlike Walter Diemer. Since Diemer’s Double Bubble hit the market, many people have tweaked the original bubble gum (Rosenberg). Now, gumballs are a common twist on the original and the world has fallen in love with many other flavors. The distinct flavor of bubble gum is now a flavor of other candies, and the iconic color is now recognized as bubble gum pink.

Just like anything else in existence, bubble gum has many pros and cons. Many people

chew bubble gum to relieve their heartburn, as it causes more saliva to enter the stomach and balance out acid. Others enjoy it to help with productivity or to pass the time in a fun way. However, bubble gum also causes a lot of litter, tooth decay, and can lead to TMJ. Temporomandibular Joint Syndrome, more commonly known as TMJ, means that a person's jaw will become irritated when the jaw is used in a constant motion, like it is when chewing bubble gum (Gaille). Therefore, the act of chewing bubble gum isn't for everyone and can sometimes lead to more harm than good.

To conclude, bubble gum is mentioned throughout history and has a unique history of its own. This accidental creation has affected the world in so many ways. Whether it has just entered the lives of children and created lasting memories, or those pink bubbles remain on the baseball field, the legacy of bubble gum is one to remember.

Anesthesia

By: Kylie B.



“Only 1 person out of 100,000 people die from anesthesia, which is a lot less than when they used different anesthesia in the old days” (Google). Anesthesia is very important. It has changed the way we can do surgeries successfully. “Anesthesia has helped people with pain throughout their minor and major surgeries” (Anesthesia). “We have used lots of different anesthetics through the years such as drugs, rum, nitrous oxide, and now, lots of gases which are safer” (Anesthetics through the years). “Anesthesia still has some side effects such as vomiting, confusion, and irregular heart beats. Anesthesia has revolutionized the way we are able to successfully perform surgeries” (Anesthesia).

William TG Morton had the privilege of showing the medical world how important anesthesia would be, along with other successes. “Morton was accepted into Harvard as well as

Baltimore College of Dental Surgery. He administered the first dose of ether anesthesia to a patient having a neck tumor (Encyclopedia of world biography).” He had the success of getting accepted into the major schools which proves that he has had many successes. Furthermore, he showed people that anesthesia would help change the way surgeries are performed

Although anesthesia has helped many people it has not always been the safest. There have been many different types of anesthetics through the years. “The people first used a very strong rum that was used to help the British soldiers after they had been hurt in battle. Then, they used lots of drugs such as opium and cannabis. Then, they used nitrous oxide that was a chemical found in the bladder that was inhaled. Finally, in 1846, Morton demonstrated how to use the first dose of ether anesthesia(Anesthetics through the years).” Sometimes people who were getting amputations lost too much blood and never woke up from the anesthesia they were using. When nitrous oxide was being inhaled it was not always good for the brain. There have been many different types of anesthetics and not all have been the best way to do it. They were not always the safest versions of it but, they are gradually getting better.

Although anesthesia has helped the medical world perform unbelievable surgeries through the years, everything that is good also has its downsides. “We have been able to perform amazing surgeries such as cardiac, nerve and brain surgeries which are only able to be performed with anesthesia. We have also been able to do such simple surgeries with anesthesia as well such as getting your wisdom teeth pulled out and other very minor surgeries. Although we need anesthesia for surgeries like this sometimes when anesthesia is administered people can wake up with certain side effects. These side effects include confusion, irregular heart beats that always beat fast and worst of all some people never wake up (Anesthesia).” Anesthesia is really good for society because how would some of our loved ones still be living without these surgeries that

people have performed with the anesthesia. But, some people or loved ones never end up waking. But, without these anesthetics we use now we would not be able to perform these amazing surgeries in the medical world.

Anesthesia has revolutionized the surgeries doctors are able to perform. Anesthesia has helped the medical field perform amazing surgeries. The surgeries that we are able to perform are also the surgeries that can help people in the world better live their “normal” life. Surgeries that use anesthesia help so many people and keep others in a job. Doctors are able to perform awesome things such as nerve, cardiac, and brain surgeries. This is why anesthesia is so important.



How the Vacuum Cleaner Came to Life

By: Claire G.

The first vacuum was a huge machine pulled by horses, with long tubes that you could stick through the windows and doors of houses. The vacuum was invented to suck up dust and dirt from floors, and to replace dustpans and house maids. It is still used for the same purpose today; however, technology has improved greatly since then. The vacuum cleaner changed the way we clean our carpet and rugs.

Hubert Cecil Booth was the first to invent the vacuum cleaner. Booth was born in Gloucester, England, and his father was a merchant. Later on in life, Booth moved to London to pursue his studies as an engineer at City and Guilds College. Furthermore, not only did Booth invent the vacuum cleaner, but he also designed bridges and Ferris wheels in amusement parks (“Grace’s Guide”). Hubert Cecil Booth was a very accomplished and talented man. His name is written all over the old architecture of Europe. Booth had a good education to be able to

intentionally invent the vacuum. He was determined to invent a machine that people could use everyday.

The vacuum cleaner was invented to help upper class women clean, and to replace house maids. The vacuum was invented in 1901 to be used to suck up dirt from carpets and rugs (“Bellis”). It was able to make cleaning floors so much more convenient by replacing house maids and making people able to clean their floors every week. The mass production of vacuum cleaners did not take off until the Roaring Twenties. The time period after World War I was a great time for many new inventions to take off (“Vacuum”). Many enjoyed their new vacuums as housemaids slowly disappeared, and housework became less work.

Before the vacuum, people would have to shake out and beat rugs, so the invention of the vacuum, which is still used today, made it easier to clean floors; however, it can also affect us in a negative way. People tend to take clean carpets for granted. Before the invention of the vacuum, they would hang their rugs over a wall and beat them with a carpet beater, which would only occur once or twice a year (“Bellis”). Carpets before the invention of the vacuum were dirty and unsanitary. Although the vacuum is very convenient, the impact has both positive and negative effects. Some positive impacts are that it increases the cleanliness of our carpet and it requires less labor; however, it also increases allergies (“The invention of the Vacuum Cleaner, From Horse-Drawn to High Tech”). Although the vacuum is a useful invention, it can cause people with allergies and asthma difficulty in breathing. Furthermore, the vacuum is still used today with better technology. We now use cordless vacuums; self driven, robotic vacuums; and high tech, efficient vacuums.

In conclusion, the vacuum cleaner has changed the way we clean our carpet and rugs. It has changed drastically from horse drawn, big, bulky machines, to self driving robots. The

vacuum has also changed the method of cleaning along with how often we clean our floors. Without the vacuum cleaner, our society would be very behind and the cleanliness of our carpets and rugs would be unsanitary and dirty.

The Invention of the Traffic Light.

By: Ava I.



Around 40% of crashes are at intersections; however, if there were no stop lights there would be even more accidents. Garrett Morgan invented the first traffic light in 1923. Even though most people rode horses or bicycles and there were not a lot of cars yet, there were still a lot of wrecks. Morgan realized this and got to work on his invention. Since the traffic light was invented, many accidents have been avoided and many lives have been saved.

Garrett Augustus Morgan is credited for the invention of the traffic light. Garrett Morgan was born on March 4, 1877 and the child of formerly enslaved parents. It is impressive that he could invent something that has had such a big impact on the world with only a sixth-grade education. He also invented the gas mask. (“Garrett Augustus Morgan- Inventor and Businessman”). He had an innate mechanical mind that enabled him to solve problems. Even though he was very smart, he still had to learn a lot by himself.

Garrett Augustus Morgan was lucky enough to have a car as most people did not own cars and usually rode horses or bikes. He invented the traffic light because the streets were always clogged and busy (“Garrett Morgan's Parents Three- Position Traffic Signal”). Having a car back then was not very common, most people couldn't afford it. It's amazing how someone could come up with an idea like that.

The traffic light has stopped and caused many accidents to this day. Many people still disobey the rules and run the lights which also causes many accidents (Douglas). The traffic light has really affected society to this day. It is an amazing invention.

The traffic light is still used to this day and is still very important. Some stop lights today are solar powered. Around 40% of crashes are at intersections and if there were no stop lights, there would be way more accidents (“The History and Evolution of Traffic Lights”). In conclusion, the invention of the traffic light is very important, and has saved many lives. It has certainly done its job.



The Story of Super Glue

By: Lizzie J.

Super Glue was invented by accident! Super glue is an adhesive that bonds one or more things together permanently for many purposes. This brilliant invention has made life easier for many people by bonding things like two pieces of wood. This brilliant invention has made life easier for so many people.

Some people may wonder, “Who in the world would ever want to make glue?” Well, the invention of super glue was actually an accident. Harry Coover, the inventor of super glue, was trying to create heat-resistant jet canopies (which is a roof/windshield that the pilot can look out of) with Fred Joyner, his partner, who decided to join two prisms with the adhesive to which they were permanently bonded (“The Invention of Super Glue”). This invention was only an accident, so Harry Coover was probably a little mad.

Harry Coover was born on March 6, 1919 in Newark, Delaware. He went to Hobart College and Cornell University, and received a PHA and an MS in chemistry. Additionally, after Harry Coover went to Hobart College and Cornell University, he worked for Eastman-Kodak’s

chemical division in Rochester, New York(“Harry Coover”). So, Harry Coover was extremely smart and jet canopies are very hard to make so he had a challenge.

Super glue has been around for a long time now and is one of the many everyday products, which we use to mend and fix tears and rips. So, people ask, “What did mankind use before super glue.” The answer to their question is simple, man made a sticky substance out of horns, bones, hooves, hides, brains, and even blood. Mankind used these things because it had collagen in it (“Benefits to Society”). Which means that back in those times it was not as different.

The bright invention of super glue has impacted the world in what looks like a small way but it has actually made life easier for so many people.

How the Airplane Changed the World Forever

By: Elise K.



Orville and Wilbur Wright are the first inventors of the airplane. The Wright Brothers owned a bike shop, fixing, and inventing bikes. When their dad bought them a small, model toy of a helicopter, the Wright Brothers got a love and passion for airplanes and helicopters. It was their dream to invent their very own airplane.

The airplane was invented because the Wright Brothers always dreamed of inventing an airplane, flying it and testing it. The airplane was invented in the year of 1899 and tested on December 17, 1903. They did not know that their invention would change the world forever. While they were learning all about airplanes, they kept reading, studying, and finding out how the airplane works and what makes it fly.

Before the Wright Brothers had made the airplane, people couldn't get to where they were going quick enough, as quick as an airplane can travel at, is about 460 to 575 miles per

hour. When airplanes fly really high they go faster, when they are lower to the ground, they go slower. The airplane can now be better and high tech, compared to when Orville and Wilbur Wright were still making and inventing the airplane better and better, it now not just fly's people across the world, but the airplane can also travel packages all across the world too.

The airplane affected society because now many people can travel across the world at a time, so the pilots don't have to make many trips back and forth where the people are going. It also helps them out with people that ordered packages that are really far away from where they live, and it can get to that person's house at a quicker speed.

The airplane is still used today, it still travels people and packages all over the world. It didn't do it, in the old days, because they were still making adjustments and making it safer and better for all of society.

The airplane is more updated than when Orville and Wilbur Wright invented it. The airplane can stay higher off the ground, then when Wilbur and Orville Wright were testing, and inventing the airplane. The airplane can also fly all across the world, without having to take a break. The airplane is a magnificent invention that the Wright Brothers invented. In the website history.com, it says " that the airplane that Orville and Wilbur Wright invented is now the centerpiece of a museum in Kitty Hawk, North Carolina." (First, 2009) The way the airplane travels changed the world forever and ever.



The Invention That Changed the World

By: Sierrah K.

Guglielmo Marconi filed for his first patents at age 22. In modern times, the radio is something used for entertainment, but in the 1920's it was used to save lives. The radio was used to save lives during battle, especially on the most famous shipwreck to be known, the Titanic.

The radio in modern day life is used for navigation, radar, and remote sensing, which means it is a necessity in life to almost everybody. The invention of the radio impacted the world more than any other invention.

Guglielmo Marconi was a Italian inventor who developed the first wireless radio and got people to start broadcasting. Marconi was born in 1874, in Bologna, Italy. Marconi had a good education, studied at the Livorno Technical Institute, and the University of Bologna. He built wave-generating equipment and started sending signals to locations miles away. Marconi was 22 years old when he went to England and there he started broadcasting, a short 12 miles away, and applied for his first patents. He was able to set up a wireless station that Queen Victoria used to send out messages to Prince Edward, her son, on the royal yacht. In 1909, Marconi received a Nobel Prize in physics. Soon after all his accomplishments, ship owners realized that the radio would be good for navigation and distress calls if needed. When the Titanic hit an iceberg in 1912, he was able to send men to go and pick up 700 survivors. After he was out of the spotlight, Marconi came back and got married to Beatrice O'Brien, and they had 4 kids ("Guglielmo Marconi"). He had a very good education, and invented something so useful. He had a very good start to his life with so many achievements. Marconi only had 1 Nobel Prize, but that was good enough.

The radio was invented in 1920, but before it was invented, people were already trying to invent and make radio waves. The radio got part of its development from the telegraph and telephone, and became a wireless telegraph. James Clerk Maxwell predicted radio waves in the 1860's. In 1886, German physicist, Heinrich Rudolph Hertz, showed that rapid variations of electric current could be projected into space. He was able to send out the first radio signal in 1895. Later, in 1915, the first broadcast came across the radio from New York City to San

Francisco. In 1933 FM radio was invented and put out on the radio. The radio was often used in disasters like war. With the radio they communicate and tell people where to go and if they need to come back. The radio was used in ships and cruises. If the ship was sinking, they could make a distress call and get some help (Bellis). The radio development has certainly gotten better. It has gone through many different stages. Things were invented before to help the radio get where it was back then and is now today. People listen to the radio all the time so the FM station really helped the growth of the radio.

People use the radio almost every day. They listen to music in the car and listen to sports broadcasts. People in the military use the radio to communicate and people you work secretly with the government. Today, the radio is still growing, and it is competing with other technology to entertain people. The radio is more than 100 years old and is still a resource to the people in the world (“The Development of the Radio”). The radio has changed lives in many ways, including the way we listen to sports or broadcasts.

People used the radio for Morse code. There were people on a ship and they heard something, they heard the Christmas Story in Morse code. After, there was a voice that came through, the voice of Reginald Fessenden. He had been testing to see if voice could come through after Marconi invented the radio. There was a radio broadcasting company, and it was called KDKA. KDKA inspired other companies to start broadcasting on the radio. In just 4 years, there were 600 broadcasting companies in action around the country. The first actual broadcast was a football game in 1927. Also in 1927, there was a company that was broadcasting traffic due to constant traffic jams. People were listening to FM radio daily (“A Science Odyssey”). The Christmas Story on the radio made such a big impact on the radio and people. The first voice was finally heard. That is how our Presidents gave some of their speeches.

After the radio was invented, it was a must have thing for every family. They used the radio during war and other world problems. Because of the radio, people were able to listen to the news, serial stories, and political speeches. The radio also had some advertisement and entertainment. There was a show broadcasted throughout the radio and it was called *Amos 'n' Andy*. The radio helped sports to become popular. With the radio people could listen to the Olympics. They could also listen to baseball, basketball, hockey, and football. Before the radio they couldn't communicate during a battle or other issues. If there was a ship that was sinking, no one would know because they could not make a distress call ("Movies, radio, and sports in the 1920's). People in America are really into sports so the need to be able to know what is happening. Americans like their entertainment, whether it may be sports or TV. America has a big military and they have to be able to communicate during battle somehow in case of an emergency. People who go out to sea need to have something to make distress calls with or else they could die or never back it back to shore.

In conclusion, the radio was the most impactful invention. The radio has been used to communicate during battle. People also use the radio to listen to music and sports when they can't get to a TV. Finally, people use the radio in their everyday life no matter what job they have. In the end, the radio is a necessity of life.

Kool-Aid

By: Kristian M.



Kool-Aid was inspired by Jell-O and all it's colorful and wonderful flavors. Kool-Aid is a flavored drink that pretty much every American knows and loves. It's typically portrayed as a red drink, though it can come in different colors, depending on the flavor. The flavors are grape, kiwi strawberry, sharkleberry fin, cherry, and blue raspberry. There are more than these.

Everybody knows about Kool-Aid, but have you ever thought about it? Kool-Aid changed the way Americans thought about drinks.

Edward Perkins was an over-the counter chemist, selling medicine and household items by mail order and door to door. When he first got the idea for Kool-Aid, a friend had brought over the snack Jell-O, and Perkins was impressed with all the different colors and flavors. He had begged his father to put it in his store. After he grew up, Edward tampered with the recipe for Fruit Smack, dehydrating it, for it to become Kool-Aid. He only had a few flavors at first, but after a while, he added more flavors.

Before Kool-Aid was invented, America had been drinking something called Fruit Smack, basically a different tasting, liquid form of Kool-Aid. As stated earlier, Perkins had tampered with the recipe turning it into a powder that could be inserted into water, flavoring the water. This drink was filled to the brim with sugar, basically. Kool-Aid, after it was invented, of course, had affected society a lot. Perkins had received from sue threats to requests for different flavors. Some people hated him, some loved him.

Americans have never thought of drinks the same way as before Kool-Aid was invented. Perkins was impressed by all the flavors in Jell-O, so he made all his new Kool-Aid flavors after them; later, he added his own, but for the time being, those were his only flavors. In conclusion, Perkins drink has affected people's lives and will continue to do so for a long time to.



The Greatest Invention of Them All

By: Kate M.

The radio was the first invention ever to transmit sound across long distances. It was invented to spread news and reach larger crowds. It was much needed by a society that only had the newspaper and non-audible means of communication. The radio made the spread of news easier and revolutionized the way people communicate with each other.

Guglielmo Marconi was the inventor of the first radio. He made wireless telegraphy in 1896. This telegraphy was the first thing that could transmit sound across longer distances, probably the biggest step to creating the radio. Furthermore, he was the first to use his wireless for transatlantic communication (The Nobel Prize in Physics 1909). This proved him a worthy inventor and the true inventor of the later to come radio.

The radio was invented to make communication easier. It was invented from 1895-1899. The news was more up-to-date and modern. This version of the wireless telegraphy could reach people faster and more efficiently. Secondly, it reached a larger group of people. Before the radio, the illiterate and the people who were too busy to read the newspaper didn't get the news, but now they could listen to the radio (Bellis) (7.4 Radio's Impact on Culture). In this way, it brought society together as a whole.

The radio benefited society so much it is still used today. Many TV shows and actors of today only started because of the radio. These wouldn't exist today if the radio hadn't been there to let them do their jobs and spread their talents. Additionally, it is still used today to play music with better quality and a variety of genres (7.4 Radio's Impact on Culture). Since the quality is better and it's easier to access than a CD or a record, the radio was used and is still used today to play music that all of society can listen to.

To conclude, the radio didn't just change, but revolutionized, the way people across the world communicate with each other. It reaches people faster, allows more people to participate in society, and helps many TV shows and musicians that we know today. Without the radio, the world wouldn't connect nearly as well, and many of the things we love today wouldn't exist.

The Remarkable Microwave Oven

By: Brindy R.



The microwave makes the quickest easy meals to this day. Microwaves have improved the ability to cook quickly with ease. Without the invention of the microwave, society would have to take the time to cook a meal. Therefore society could not keep up with its fast pace of life. The microwave is still one of the most convenient and most used inventions to this day.

Percy Spencer has the accreditation for the remarkable invention of the microwave oven. Percy Spencer is the inventor of the first microwave oven. The text states, Percy Spencer is an American physicist and inventor. He dropped out of school at 12 to work at the weave mills. He taught himself many things, even to set up an electrical system. Percy was a radio operator in the U.S. Navy. He was in WWI and WWII. "Spencer's work during the world wars he received the Distinguished Public Service Award from the U.S. Navy" (Atomic Heritage Foundation 2019).

Secondly, the idea of the microwave oven was a complete accident. The author writes, "Percy Spencer invented the microwave in 1945 by total accident" (Education Solutions for Families 2021). He had found microwave radar during WWII. He had a candy bar in his pocket that melted. Soon enough he realized the radar was heating the candy bar up. With a lot of experimentation he built the very first microwave oven.

The microwave was the first of its kind to heat up food in minutes, it would be one of the best appliances to have in a kitchen. How the microwave worked. The text states, The microwave

heated up food by exposing it to high-frequency radiation. “The heating process makes polar molecules in the food, especially those in water, to rotate and cause thermal energy” (Davis 2016). Percy experimented with the microwave on different objects, like a metal box with popcorn surprised. Percy saw that the metal box rapidly got hotter.

The microwave oven was expensive at first. “The microwave used to sell for \$5,000 back then for commercial kitchens” (Davis 2016). The microwave took over 25 years just to be in the average house, becoming smaller and more affordable. With all the safety concerns the microwave came with, it still sold rapidly.

The major safety concerns with the microwave. When the microwave started to come into the average family home federal regulations became a big issue. “A healthy and safety act came out in 1968 causing the microwave to limit the amount of microwave energy that an oven could leak out in its lifetime” (Davis 2016). The microwave door easily leaks out microwave energy. The doors were reinforced to limit the amount of microwave radiation. The doors to the microwave would’ve been protected with interlock switches. Interlock switches turn the oven off if someone accidentally opened it while the microwave wave was in use. Doctors have found that the microwaves were leaking a high percent of microwave energy.

The microwave oven impacted the world greatly.

What the world was like before the microwave oven. There were many kitchen appliances before the microwave. The stove was often the main appliance. The microwave wasn't hurt to heat up food, “Other appliances that heated food were the electric kettle, kettle grill, and the toaster” (Henderson 2019). These appliances were a privilege to have back then. They did heat up food but not like the microwave (Henderson 2019).

Furthermore, this invention is still used today. We depend greatly on the microwave.

With the ability to heat things up in minutes. We especially rely on the microwave without fast paced lives. The cost of the microwave has decreased greatly since the later 1960's. "They are affordable and in the average home kitchen" (Henderson 2019).

In conclusion, the microwave is one of most convenient appliances to this day with its power to heat up leftovers and quick frozen meals. This is essential with our fast paced lives.

Eighth Grade

Mrs. Hasamear



The eighth grade students wrote essays for the Lutherans for Life Essay Contest. The theme for the contest this year is *God Chose You*. It is based on the verse “You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit” (John 15:16). We are eagerly awaiting the results of the contest to see if any of our students won!

**God Chose You
By: Miguel B.**



In America today there are currently 500,000 children in some form of foster care? 30% of those are suffering from severe emotional,behavioral,or developmental problems. That percent would go down if children in foster care were either reunited with their biological parents or adopted by their forever family.

In John 15:16 God says,”You did not chose me,but I chose you and appointed you,that you should go and bear fruit.” God chose you to help the foster kids in need of families. The main goal of foster care is to help to return their child back to their biological family if they are able to go and if they are not hopefully you will help them or adopt them.

61% of children removed from their homes are due to abusive neglect. Neglect is where you don’t meet your child or someone else’s needs. In Proverbs 31:18 God says, “Speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves, for the rights of all who are destitute.

In conclusion, That percent would go down if children in foster care were either reunited with their biological parents or adopted by their forever family. In Psalms 68:5-6a God says,’A father to the fatherless,a defender of the widows,is God in his holy dwelling. God sets the lonely in families.



Why Adoption Is Important

By: Kaleb B.

I choose this topic for my essay because I feel like it is very important in our lives today. I am going to tell you a few reasons why I believe more people should choose adoption as a choice if given the opportunity.

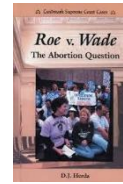
Adoption gives couples the chance to raise a child that they couldn't have on their own. Some people have health problems that prevent them from having children themselves. Or they meet later in life and wait to start a family and they are unable to become pregnant. It is also a better alternative than abortion. This gives the child a chance at life. It also gives parents a chance to love that child. Some people get pregnant at a young age and are unable to raise that child, or they may have been raped and feel like they can not love that child. Having adoption as a choice gives so many people a chance to find the love that they are missing in their lives. Everyone's home environment is not the same. Some people are poor and can not afford to raise a child. Especially, if they already have one or two children. Some parents drink and use drugs and it would be a harmful situation to bring a baby into. There are so many good reasons to choose adoption. I can't think of a reason not to choose it. Providing the circumstances are right. In my opinion, if you can't raise the baby yourself, and your only option is to have an abortion or put the baby up for adoption. Giving the baby a chance to be loved and care for is the only choice.

You do not choose me but I choose you and appointed you so that you should go and bear fruit (John 15-16). God decides who is meant to be with who! He puts the right people in our lives for the right reasons. Adoption gives that child a chance to find a perfectly happy, loving home. It answers the prayers the couple had to complete their family. My grandmother was

adopted, and so were my aunt and uncle. Without adoption, I wouldn't have the family that I have today.

God Chose You

By: Dani C.



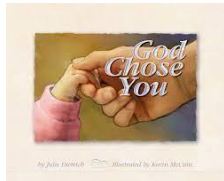
The Roe v. Wade court case took place in 1973 and since then 61 million babies have been killed before they had the chance to see life. Almost every state in America made abortion legal by 1900. The Lord says in Jeremiah 1:5, “Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I set you apart; I appointed you as a prophet to the nations.” God knew us all as He formed us in our mothers’ womb. He has a different purpose for every one of us. For this reason, abortion needs to be considered as illegal.

God sent us to this earth to spread His Word and to multiply. God said in Genesis 9:7, “And you, be fruitful and multiply, team on the earth and multiply in it.” God wants us to multiply and have children as long as it is done without sin. He speaks strictly against murder. He does not want us to conceive a child and kill it before it has the chance to step foot onto earth. If someone were to have an abortion or if you kill someone who has reached full growth, this is all considered murder.

We are all living as a gift from God. We are God’s creation and we shall fulfill His will for our lives. For as it says in Romans 14:8, “For if we live, we live to the Lord, and if we die, we die to the Lord. So then, whether we live or whether we die, we are the Lord's.” God insists that babies, to those who have been on this earth for years all have a path to follow and that should not be taken away from them.

Abortion is a cruel and horrible act and it needs to be ended immediately. We are all on this earth as a gift from God and he wants us to multiply, he does not want us taking someone’s

life against their will. In John 15:16 it says, “You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit.” God chose us and what would happen to our lives. As a result, it is our chance to choose the Lord in return and follow his command for our lives.



God Chose You

By: Rebe D.

Throughout history, many countries and their castes would rather bear a son than a daughter. This leads to numerous female infanticides; the killing of a child within one year of birth. Many countries have a one-child policy; however, that policy is not what caused infanticide to occur in the world. It has only added to original problems. God wants his creation to bear children, but He does not want to discriminate against the gender of the baby. In the Bible it says, "You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit." God wants His worshipers and followers to live a successful life. By allowing infanticide to happen and killing innocent babies we disobey God's command.

According to ancient sources, infanticide was authorized for quite a few reasons. Infanticide may have been performed because of the parent's poverty, the country's policies, or illegitimate or questionable parentage. Exodus 23:7 says, "Keep far from a false charge, and do not kill the innocent and righteous, for I will not acquit the wicked." Many lives can be saved if infanticide becomes illegal everywhere.

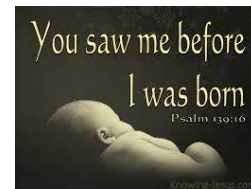
There are two types of severe infanticide; direct or active and indirect or passive infanticide. Direct or active infanticide is deliberately killing the baby by starvation, head injuries, dehydration, or suffocation. This type generally occurs in cultures in which abortions or direct infanticides are not sanctioned. The second type is indirect or passive infanticide which

begins with neglectful parenting and insufficient nutrition, especially when the baby gets sick. Both types of infanticide resemble irresponsible parenting. As it says in Exodus 20:13, "You shall not murder." Jesus loves everyone and put you on this earth for a purpose. Killing others does not only break the 10 Commandments, but it takes someone's life where they could be prosperous.

All things considered, God's commandments are broken repeatedly when this continually keeps happening. Psalms 127:3 says, "Behold, children are a heritage from the LORD, the fruit of the womb a reward." Children come from God as a blessing to people. Humanity should value children and all people. God values lives that He generously made. He worked hard to make humanity and people need to respect that.

God Chose You

By: Joey F.



As of 2021, 1.2 million abortions have occurred in the first 10 days around the world. It is an absolute shame that this many abortions have occurred. In John 15:16, our Lord tells us, "You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit." God chose for women to be fruitful, and he expects those women to keep their child and to support the baby after it has been conceived, yet people believe that abortions are acceptable when they are not. For many reasons, abortion should be made illegal.

Each baby is innocent and should be seen as a blessing from God, but abortion takes that viewpoint away as women terminate their pregnancy. In Psalm 127:3 it is revealed to us "Children are a heritage from the Lord, the fruit of the womb a reward." People cherish many other gifts from God, so how is a child any different and destroying that wonderful gift acceptable? It isn't any different and it shouldn't be fathomed acceptable.

Every abortion punishes an innocent baby and avoids the responsibility that is place on the parents with a child. In Exodus 23:7 the Lord tells us, “Have nothing to do with a false charge and do not put an innocent or honest person to death, for I will not acquit the guilty.” In this passage, God commands his people to not kill the innocent, which is the opposite of what abortion does, it punishes the innocent, babies, and lets the guilty, parents, walk free and cover up their decision they made. This decision is not just a simple decision. It brings life into the world and people think that if they regret their decision they can just undo it by getting rid of that innocent baby's life by abortion.

Abortion has been around for a long time, but that doesn't make it right and should be made illegal. Every baby is a blessing from God, but abortion takes away that blessing. When an abortion takes place it punishes an innocent baby, for what the babies father and mother are at fault for. It is tragic to think how long abortion has been around, but even worse to think how much longer it can be around if people do not make a change in the future.



God Chose You

By: Carter H.

Twenty years ago a sheep was cloned. Since then, there has been 20 different species that have been cloned; however, only 10 percent of these animals that have been cloned survive. That means thousands, maybe even millions of animals, have died from cloning. Scientists have not yet cloned a full human, but research says that they are advancing toward this. Considering this information, is the slaughter of innocent animals and the possible slaughter of human life worth it? All life is precious and meaningful in God's eyes; therefore, cloning is bad because it kills innocent animals and will potentially kill people one day.

First of all, humans should not clone living things because God is the creator of life. God's view of this is shown in Genesis 2:7 "Then the Lord God formed the man of dust from the ground and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life, and the man became a living creature" This bible verse shows us that God thinks that humans shouldn't be created from cloning but from His own hands.

Secondly, Animals and humans should not be cloned because God has ordered his creation to reproduce. As God said in Genesis 1:28, "And God blessed them. And God said to them, 'Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over every living thing that moves on the earth.'" This verse means that God wanted the animals and humans that he created with his own hands, to go and create offspring of their own kind, not for us to make them artificially. God is also saying that humans should take care of the animals, and by cloning, it is killing them more than taking care of them. God is also saying that humans and animals should be created naturally, but by cloning, they are artificially created.

In conclusion, cloning is unacceptable because it is killing animals and will one day kill humans. The scientists that are working on cloning humans should stop because it will kill innocent people. Also, the scientists that are cloning animals should stop because studies prove that only 10 percent of animals that have been cloned live. God doesn't like the world doing these things to the animals and potentially humans. God said we should multiply naturally. So therefore, if having the opportunity to share this information, please do.

God Chose You

By: Emma H.



Out of all people, babies are the most innocent. They are untouched by the cruelty of the world; therefore, the very mention of killing a newborn child, infanticide, should yank on people's hearts. In John, God tells us, "You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you so that you might go and bear fruit" (John 15:16). People were chosen to create life, not to end it. Furthermore, infanticide should be put to an end.

First, God has made us each with His own image in mind. In Genesis, He tells us, "So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him..." (Genesis 1:27). In the verse, God tells humanity that He created every person with His own image; therefore, we shouldn't destroy his beings in the act of infanticide.

Also, every child was chosen by God to serve him. God tells us in Jeremiah, "For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil..." (Jeremiah 29:11). As seen in the verse, God gave each person a future. He does not wish for people to die at such a young age when He has whole lives planned for them.

God has the ultimate authority, not humans. The Bible says, "If anyone imagines that he knows something, he does not yet know as he ought to know" (1 Corinthians 8:2). Mankind doesn't have all the answers and shouldn't think they do. Their babies' lives have just begun. They still have all the days of their lives ahead of them. The child could be anything it wants to be, but their parents prevent that. They don't want another child and the responsibility or consequences that come with it, but afterwards, they will miss the magic and innocence of a child's first steps, their first words, and the child's life. They don't know what they have until it's gone and then the parents will live with the regret of killing their child for the rest of their lives.

Therefore, infanticide should be put to an end. All of humanity was made and chosen by God to serve Him. He also has the highest and only authority to choose what happens to everyone. Even though babies are born sinful, they don't deserve to be killed as a result of parents' actions.



God Chose You

By: Kate J.

Yearly, there are approximately 40-50 million babies ripped from their mothers womb. The mother is supposed to be a rock for the child. They shouldn't only protect the baby, but raise it, and treasure it. People have been desensitized to the murder of a child during abortion. It says in John 15:16, "You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit." God doesn't see these millions of babies as a 'mistake,' but as a gift from Him. He creates these babies in perfection in His eyes. Abortion isn't just cruel, but wicked.

People who abort a conceptus misinterpret how God looks at life. It states in Psalms 127:3, "Children are a gift from the Lord. They are a reward from Him." This means no child is "just a clump of cells," instead they are a miracle from God. God promises that all humans have the right to pursue life. Everyone has a specific path that we should lead because God has a specific way of life for each one of us. We shouldn't doubt Him because He has everything in control.

People's excuse for abortion is because it's the mother's body, she can choose what she does with the child. When the baby is starting to form inside the mother, it's no longer only her body, but it's two bodies. In 1 Corinthians 6:19-20, it says, "Or do you not know that yours is the temple of the Holy Spirit within you, whom you have from God? You are not your own for you were bought with a price. So glorify God in your body." God abhors those quick to shed the

blood of the innocent. We'll be held accountable for our sins based on what has come out of His mouth through the Word of God, not what mankind deems acceptable.

Abortion must be stopped because it's not right in God's eyes. Children are a gift from God. When a conceptus is starting to form in the mother, it's two bodies in one. Not to mention, the baby is one of the most precious things in the entire world. Our bodies are a temple of the Lord. We must protect the temples that we've been given. Society has misconstrued God's Word on life. They have rejected God in all shapes and forms to fit their narrative.

God Chose You

By: Evan K.



Cloning is not a natural way of creating humans. God made us to create life with one another and not with science. He told us this in Genesis, “God blessed them and said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; rule over the fish of the sea and the birds of the air and every creature that crawls upon the earth.” Creating people through cloning is wrong and is not natural in the way God told us to reproduce and does not bless them from the womb.

The first reason is that cloning is not the natural way of creating people. As God says in the bible, “God blessed them and said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; rule over the fish of the sea and the birds of the air and every creature that crawls upon the earth.””(Gen 1:28). God told us to be fruitful and multiply. God did not want us to make copies of each other because he made every one of us special to him.

The second reason is that they are not blessed from the womb. As God says in the bible, “You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you so that you might go and bear fruit””(John 15:16). God chose who would be in everyone's women and who would be birthed

and all of those things, but by using cloning the human race is trying to play god. The reason that it is so hard to clone things is because we were never supposed to do it.

Cloning is not a good practice because it is not the way God wanted us to reproduce and God will not bless them from the womb. Therefore we should not clone humans because it would go against God's word.



God Chose You

By: Jacob K.

Ever since abortion was made legal by the Roe vs. Wade case, it has become common. From conception, a baby is alive. Human life is very important. Matthew 10:31 says “Fear not, therefore; you are of more value than many sparrows.” This quote shows that humans are of the most value to God and babies are humans. Therefore, abortion is murder and should not be legal if our nation is “under God.”

God chooses people to live. John 15:16 says, “You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit.” This Bible verse shows that God chose you to live and have a purpose, not to be killed in your mother’s womb. This means, every time an abortion is performed, God’s plan for a person’s life is destroyed.

God loves everybody. Romans 5:8 says, “But God demonstrates his own love for us in this: While we were still sinners, Christ died for us.” This Bible verse shows that God wants everybody to be saved. It is hard for a baby that is not born to come to faith if their parents don’t go to church often. Every child matters to God, even the unborn. Abortion causes life to be destroyed. Life is the most precious thing to God. Therefore, we should try our best to preserve it.

If everybody aborted their child, the world's population would start decreasing rapidly. God says, "Be fruitful and multiply and fill the earth and subdue it, and have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the birds of the heavens and over every living thing that moves on the earth." This shows that we need to multiply, so the world can grow and God's plan can be fulfilled. When people think abortion is fine, then why should they be alive?

In conclusion, abortion is murder and should not be legal if our nation is "under God". God has a distinct plan for everybody, even the unborn before they were even conceived and loves them to the point of sending His only Son to die for us. If people think it is okay to abort babies, they indirectly think it is okay if they were aborted. Finally, unborn babies are alive and abortion is not okay because everybody deserves to enjoy the life God has planned for them.

God Chose You

By: Addie L.



Only 4% of women with unwanted pregnancies put their kids up for adoption, instead they choose to abort. Why is that? With over 2 million couples wanting to adopt, why choose to kill the unborn baby. God states in John 15:16, "You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit." All life is worthy, born or unborn. Adoption is a good option because it considers the child and gives them a chance at life.

In the Bible, God states we were made unique before we were born. Jeremiah 1:5 says, "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I set you apart; I appointed you as a prophet to the nations." We are all made unique by God. His love begins when the baby is formed in the womb, not when the baby is born. Therefore, we should obey God's law when choosing between abortion or adoption.

There are 2 million couples in the U.S hoping to adopt, and over 100,000 kids ready to be adopted. In 2018, 600,000 abortions were documented. With an ample number of couples wanting to adopt it seems selfish to abort. Psalm 27:10 says, “For my father and my mother have forsaken me, but the Lord will take me in.” People should follow God’s example and know that adoption is the just thing to do rather than abortion.

Everybody deserves a chance at life. Even those who can’t speak for themselves. Proverbs 31:8 states, “Speak up for those who cannot speak for themselves, for the rights of all who are destitute.” Christians can do their part by volunteering at adopting centers, protesting at abortion clinics and fostering kids. It is crucial to do what’s possible to help the current situation.

The best option for unwanted pregnancies is adoption. John 15:16 states “You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit.” God chose us and although someone might not be able to care for the child, there are couples hoping to adopt. As Christians it is our duty to spread this message to everyone, so they know it is not their choice to decide if the baby’s life is worthy, but God’s, who tells us all lives are worthy born or unborn.



God Chose You

By: Louis M.

Abortion is wrong because a lot of babies die to abortion each year, and it is wrong; the fifth commandment says “you shall not murder.” Even though the baby is unborn, it is still alive. So abortion should be stopped and banned throughout the world.

Abortion is wrong and here the Bible says “John 15:2 Every branch in me that does not bear fruit he takes away, and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes, that it may bear more fruit.” This means that God wants us to have children and not eliminate them.

Everything about abortion is wrong and again the bible tells us here in “John 15: 16-17 You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit and that your fruit should abide, so that whatever you ask the Father in my name, he may give it to you. “These things I command you, so that you will love one another.” It is wrong and we should grow not shrink. He wants us all.

Clearly, God wants us to get rid of abortion. God said you shall not kill and that includes babies. This is why abortion is wrong and should be entirely eliminated.

God Chose You

By: Andrew M.



Thirty countries in the world have banned cloning and 15 have banned human cloning. This means that 151 countries are allowing cloning of all kinds to happen. Unfortunately, this is not what God wants us to do. He said, “You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit.” We are all unique and should not be replicated. Because of this, cloning is inhumane and should be illegal.

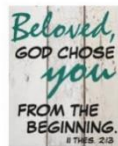
First, scientists that are cloning are usurping God’s role as the Almighty Creator. The Bible says, “The Lord gave and the Lord has taken away” (Job 1:11). People are not respecting God when they want to clone someone or something because they are trying to show that they have more power than Him and put themselves in control, which is why it should be illegal in ALL countries.

Second, God made everyone unique. He says, “So God created man in his own image, in the image of God he created him; male and female he created them” (Genesis 1:27). He made everyone differently so that they can praise him in their own way by using their personal talents and abilities. Cloning ruins this and rejects what God has created by stealing their abilities and

giving them to someone new who will use them in the same way. To put it simply, cloning should be banned.

Third, cloning breaks one of the Ten Commandments. The Bible says, “You shall have no other gods before me” (Exodus 20:3). This commandment means that you shall fear, love, and trust in God above everything. When someone is cloned, the person who decided to clone them is not fully loving and/or trusting in God and instead is loving whoever has died more by getting them cloned or is trusting in earthly powers to make them feel better when they should be trusting in God’s plan for them. To sum it up, cloning should be forbidden.

Undoubtedly, God is trying to tell us that cloning is wrong and should be outlawed everywhere. He made everyone unique, and when people are cloning, they are usurping or trying to show authority over God while also breaking the First Commandment. Besides, God used death as a punishment for those who failed to listen to Him, so continuing to clone might not be the best idea.



God Chose You

By: Tannan N.

There have been 60,069,971 abortions in America since the Roe v. Wade. Abortion is murder because when you are conceived you are alive. When you get an abortion you are killing a baby. It is the same thing as killing a 40 year old child. They are both living.

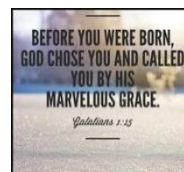
Abortion is murder because God wants us to be fruitful and multiply the earth. As God says in the first chapter of genesis: “God blessed them and said to them, “Be fruitful and multiply, and fill the earth and subdue it; rule over the fish of the sea and the birds of the air and every creature that crawls upon the earth.” He says to multiply the earth not murder children while they are still in the womb.

Abortion is murder because they are alive in the womb. When they are conceived they are alive. God says in exodus chapter 20 not to murder in the fifth commandment: "You shall not murder." Therefore when a woman is having an abortion she is breaking the fifth commandment.

Abortion is murder. God tells us to be fruitful and multiply. He also said do not murder in the fifth commandment. Babies need a chance to live. How do you know how they are going to be when they are born? They don't even get a chance to live. In conclusion, a baby is alive from conception and needs a chance to live. They have a life to live. Let them live.

God Chose You

By: Jack Phelps



Since the Roe vs Wade confrontation in 1973, it is estimated that 62 million unborn babies have been aborted in the US. The big uphold for over turning the case is it shouldn't be the state's choice it should be the woman's choice. In Jeremiah 1:5 "Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I set you apart; I appointed you as a prophet to the nations." This verse just shows that God knows everything and creates you differently gives everyone their own specific path to take that is why abortion should be illegal.

When a woman aborts a baby that destroys God's creation. The Bible says in Genesis 1:27, "So God created mankind in his own image, in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them." God made mankind in his own image so when you abort a baby a woman is destroying God's precious creation that God Himself has created.

Children are supposed to be gifts, not a burden that parents always have to deal with. The Bible states in Psalm 127:3, "Behold, children are a heritage from the Lord, the fruit of the womb a reward." The verse clearly explains that the fruit of the womb is a reward from God. It should not be a burden to parents.

Even though an abortion is performed on unborn children, it does not mean God does not have a certain plan for each child. The Bible says in Proverbs 3:5-6 “Trust in the Lord with all thine heart; and lean not unto thine own understanding. In all thy ways acknowledge him, and he shall direct thy paths.” The Bible says to trust in the Lord because God has a path for everything He does that is why a woman should not abort children with so much potential.

In conclusion, God's own words say that he has something special just for you and nobody else that is why women shouldn't abort babies for they have a purpose too. God gives children to be gifts and he has something for every single child. Abortion ultimately just destroys God's wonderful creation. So, before you make a life changing decision think about what God thinks of that.



God Chose You

By: Connor P.

Fifty million babies are killed each day due to abortion. It is called the roe vs wade court case that says that abortion is legal. Many people do not believe abortion should be legal because it is murdering the innocent unborn. Our Lord says in John 15:16, “You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit.” God makes it very clear in His Word that He chose each person for a specific purpose. Therefore, abortion is murder. One reason why abortion is wrong is because they are murdering innocent children. Even God says that abortion is wrong in the bible. God says in one of the verses You shall not murder and another bible verse about it is “Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I set you apart; I appointed you as a prophet to the nations.” Jerimiah 1:5. How does this verse prove abortion is wrong? Therefore abortion should not be legal.

Children are a heritage from the LORD, offspring a reward from him. Like arrows in the hands of a warrior are children born in one's youth. Blessed is the man whose quiver is full of them. They will not be put to shame when they contend with their opponents in court. That is another reason in the bible on why you should not have an abortion. Even God is saying that you should not get an abortion because that is eliminating more of his creation. Another bible verse is "Then the priest shall put the woman under oath and say to her, "If no other man has had sexual relations with you and you have not gone astray and become impure while married to your husband, may this bitter water that brings a curse not harm you." But if you have gone astray while married to your husband and you have made yourself impure by having sexual relations with a man other than your husband" here the priest is to put the woman under this curse—"may the LORD cause you to become a curse among your people when he makes your womb miscarry and your abdomen swell. May this water that brings a curse enter your body so that your abdomen swells or your womb miscarries. And that was another reason why you should not get an abortion and that's why abortion is murder.

God Chose You

By: Drake P.

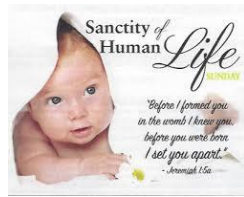


Many people may think that stem cell research may be good, but there are other factors to consider before a person forms his or her opinion about this subject. In stem cell research, there is good from one side, but in God's eyes, it is bad and should be illegal. Stem cell research is taking blood from the patient and in blood there are stem cells. But that blood is from the area where the female egg is in a woman. Retrieving blood from the woman kills the egg, which kills the baby. This is the reason stem cell research should be banned.

Stem cells are a type of cell that can develop into many other types of cell. Stem cells can also renew themselves by dividing, even after they have been inactive for a long time. Scientists believe knowing how stem cells work may lead to possible treatments for conditions, such as diabetes and heart disease. The type of cells that are used for stem cell research are embryonic stem cells. These stem cells come from embryos that are three to five days old (Stem Cells).

People disagree with using human embryonic cells for medical research because extracting the stem means killing the baby (Cells). Jeremiah 1:4-5 says, “Now the word of the Lord came to me, saying, ‘Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you; I appointed you a prophet to the nations.’” God has created each and everyone of us to serve His purpose and to love one another. If doctors or scientists continue to retrieve stem cells from a woman, this will make God very hurt since he loves these unborn babies with all of his heart.

Doctors and scientists would also be going against one of God’s commandments. Exodus 20:13 says “You shall not murder.” Destroying an embryo is murder since an embryo is an unborn baby. Stem cell research is claimed to be good and helpful by some scientists and doctors. This may be true, but the way stem cells are retrieved is horrific. The only way stem cells can be obtained is by destroying an unborn baby. Using an unborn baby, God’s creation, for research is appalling.



God Chose You

By: Tim R.

Babies that survive abortions and are born usually die alone in unthinkable conditions like on cold steel tables or in biohazard bags. In John 15:16 it says “You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you to go and bear fruit.” This loving excerpt from the bible, spoken by Jesus reminds us that all lives are important even the unborn and newborn. For this reason infanticide, which is illegal, should be punished, but not substituted with abortion.

All children have the chance to inherit the kingdom of heaven. In Matthew 19 verse 14 it says”Let the children come to me and do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of Heaven" This bible passage is Jesus telling the disciples to let the children come to him, but when a child is brutally murdered that child loses its chance to get baptized and inherit the kingdom of heaven. If Jesus himself said to not stop the children from coming to him we too should try to stop this illegal killing of babies.

Infanticide, or the killing of babies after they are born, has decreased over the years but that doesn't mean that it is now right. According to Encyclopedia Britannica,” In modern societies the regulation of population with contraceptives or through abortion has tended to greatly reduce the frequency of infanticide.”this quote states that the problem of infanticide is being replaced by the problem of abortion. One problem replacing another problem. All that is different about abortion is the child is killed before they are born.

In conclusion the illegal action of infanticide should be punished, but not substituted with abortion. All children have the chance of having the gift of heaven. Also infanticide has decreased over the years but it is being replaced with abortion. Though infanticide has decreased over the years that is not an excuse to not respect our Lords wishes that all children come to Him.



God Created Life

By: Ryder R.

When does the life of a human begin? “Biology is clear that at conception a unique organism comes into existence. Since this new life possesses human DNA and is the offspring of human parents, it can only legitimately be described as human life” (prolifeaction.org). The creation of human life is a miracle of God. We are created by God. “For you formed my inward parts; you knitted me together in my mother’s womb” (Psalm 139:13). We are individually known by God. “Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you” (Jeremiah 1:5). We are called by God to reproduce. “You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit.” (John 15:16a) To conclude, human life begins at conception, in a mother’s womb, therefore abortion ends a life.

God formed us in the womb where an astonishing rate of growth happens. “The cardiovascular system is the first major system to function. At about 22 days after conception the child’s heart begins to circulate his own blood, unique from that of his mother’s, and his heartbeat can be detected on ultrasound. By ten weeks after conception the child can make bodily movements.” (Schwarzwalder) We are part of God’s beautiful creation.

God knows us personally by name. “I know you by name” (Exodus 33:17b) Not only does God know us, but He has a special plan for every person. “For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope.” (Jeremiah 29:11)

God calls us to “bear fruit”, to have children, and He rejoices in that life. “Behold, children are a heritage from the Lord, the fruit of the womb a reward.” (Psalm 127:3) We are

sinful and may not always rejoice in new life, but we must remember “With man this is impossible, but with God all things are possible.” (Matthew 19:26)

Abortion puts an end to a precious human life. Human life is part of God’s creation. God knows and loves all of us. God calls us to bring children into the world. We need to look to God for hope to protect human life. “Rejoice in hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer” (Romans 12:12).

God Chose You

By: Luke R.

**7 Things
God Hates**
Proverbs 6:16-19

There have been more than 61 million abortions since Roe v Wade in 1973. There has been more than 3.5 million abortions performed after the first month of 2021. From the moment of conception, a human is formed. That baby has the DNA of a human and it is different from the DNA of anyone else, which makes the baby a person and killing a person is murder. This should imply that abortion is murder and should be outlawed.

In Proverbs 6:16-19 God states there are six things that He hates, and one is hands that shed innocent blood. When a child is aborted an innocent life has just been taken away. There is no reason that a child should not get to at least live their life. When an abortion takes place the doctor along with the parent have just murdered a child of God.

It is scientifically proven that an unborn baby has its own unique set of DNA. A Bible verse which backs this up, found in the first chapter of Jeremiah God says “Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I set you apart; I appointed you as a prophet to the nations.” which tells us that a person is a person before they are born.

God wanted women to have children. In John 15: 16 The Lord states “You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you so that you might go and bear fruit—fruit that will last—

and so that whatever you ask in my name the Father will give you.” This bible verse clearly states that women are to bear children nowhere does He say that they should be killed.

Abortion is murder and there are many verses in the Bible that back this up. God knew who everyone was before they were even born and states that anyone who sheds innocent blood should be cursed.



God Chose You

By: Collin S.

There have been around 73 million babies that have been aborted each year and 45% of them are done unsafely. An abortion is when a woman is pregnant, but she, for whatever the reason, does not want to keep the child. She elects, instead, to terminate the pregnancy, which results in the death of the unborn child. God says in John 15:16, “You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit.” Jesus is speaking to his disciples. He is telling them that he chose them for a specific purpose. He is not speaking only about his choice of the twelve but also about every child who was conceived. Every child has been created by God for a reason because of this abortion is wrong and should be illegal.

Killing babies is wrong, why would women have a baby if they’re just going to kill it. Even God says in Leviticus 24:17 “Whoever takes a human life shall surely be put to death”. People should know this verse, there should be some kind of punishment for having a abortion. It's not fair for the kids who are being killed. If women are going to have an abortion they might as well just not have a baby.

If women don’t want to have a baby there is a way to prevent that. Women can easily just get birth control if they don’t want kids. If they don’t have enough money for birth control you

can just get some protection. Women could also just not be stupid and make smart decisions. There is many ways to prevent to get impregnated and avoid an abortion.

Just because people are scared to have a baby doesn't mean they have to have an abortion. They could always put the kid for adoption instead of killing the baby. There is nothing wrong with giving up the baby it's way better than having an abortion. People can also suck it up and keep the baby, they are the ones that had a baby. There are just other options than killing.

Abortion is bad there is no reason to kill little kids and should be illegal. There are so many options than just having an abortion. Like even keeping the baby or putting it for adoption. Please, there is no point in having an abortion.



God Chose You

By: Ryan S.

Most people think that killing is bad. Abortion killing babies before they have a chance at life at all, which poses the question: Why is it okay to kill a child before they are born and not acceptable after? In John 3:16 it says , "For God so loved the world that he gave his only begotten son and whoever believes in him shall not perish but have everlasting life." This Bible verse claims here that Jesus died for you and being killed early is not good. Therefore, aborting babies is no way of life and is bad.

Abortion is bad and breaks the fifth commandment in the Bible. Exodus 20:2-17 the commandments are written and the fifth commandment is broken by abortion. God does not want abortion to happen because then commandments are broken.

Abortion is Gruesome and barbaric.Exodus 20:13, it say,"You shall not murder". Babies do not have a say in whether or not it lives or dies. Aborting 25 babies is just as bad as killing 25

adults. Abortion is just as bad if not worse than killing adults. Bleeding after the aborting will happen and the baby's blood flows out. Now knowing that the baby is dead.

Abortion is bad but why not just do adoption or foster care? Send the child there and another person will pick it up and take care of it. EXODUS 20:13, it says, "You shall not murder". Instead of killing, give it to a foster care / adoption center. Now, there is no reason at all. People will take your infant or child. Mothers will try and try and might not ever get a child and the only way is adoption. Now if all of the babies die the mother will not have a child and nowhere left to go.

Clearly, aborting babies is bad. Aborting breaks the fifth commandment going against his word. Abortion is gruesome and barbaric and there is no excuse. Mothers will try relentlessly to get a baby, but still can't. If all babies are aborted, mothers do not have children to raise. Aborting children is very unnecessary. Therefore, abortion should be banned everywhere and I hope no more children get aborted in the future.

God Chose You

By: Evan W.



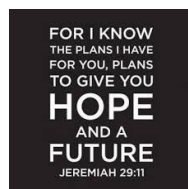
Did you know that over 40 to 50 million babies are aborted every year. Abortion is where a woman gets pregnant with a child and is not ready for it, so they exterminate the baby. God says, "You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you that should go and bear fruit." Babies shouldn't be aborted but now it is legal and we need to change that.

When a woman aborts a baby, the person has just slaughtered a baby. In Exodus 20:13, God says, "You shall not murder." This tells how we should not abort or murder babies, it is against God's word. This quote specifically tells how women shall not murder and not kill living things like babies.

When women abort babies you feel guilt, but what if someone did it to you? In Job 31:15 God says, “Did not he who made me in the womb make them? Did not the same one form us both within our mothers?” This tells us how women could have felt when they abort a baby. When a person aborts a baby, how will it feel if a person was aborting the person when they were a baby.

When a woman aborts a baby, you just did something against God, God says we are all made here for something to do? God says in Jeremiah 1:5, “Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, before you were born I set you apart; I appointed you as a prophet to the nations.” This means that we are all created equal and we are all set on this world to help and serve God. We shouldn’t abort babies because God chose them to be made for you and to serve and help him and others in this world.

Even though aborting babies is legal, we shouldn't do it, it is against God’s will and destroying his place of work. God chose us to work and serve him and help other people in this world and we are mistreating his help by aborting one of his children who he chose to help and serve here. Clearly this writing states that we shouldn’t abort babies, and instead of aborting babies, we should take one of them and help them grow up to serve and praise our God.



God Chose You

By: Maddie Z.

In the world today, over 20,000 people die from assisted suicide each year. It’s become legal in 9 states and at least 8 countries. Assisted suicide or euthanasia is nothing new, it dates back all the way to 5th-1st century BC. Greek were huge fans of assisted suicide, and often used fatal medicines to kill. In John, “You did not choose me, but I chose you and appointed you so

that you might go and bear fruit”; We observe in this verse that God wants us to live the life he wants us to and help others to live it too. But when doctors help with assisted suicide, they aren’t helping themselves fulfill this, or the patient. This is why assisted suicide should be illegal.

When in doubt, God has always been there to support us. Through thick and thin he will always try to keep us in the highest mental and physical health.”When the righteous cry for help, the Lord hears and delivers them out of all their troubles. The Lord is near to the brokenhearted and saves the crushed in spirit.”Psalm 34:17; in this verse God is telling everyone that he will always be with us, even when we may decide to take the wrong path and dive into Satan's hands of death.

God values all life and would want us to feel the same way. In the verse, “For you created my inmost being; you knit me together in my mother’s womb, I praise you because I am fearfully and wonderfully made; your works are wonderful, I know that full well.” (Psalm 139:13-14) the person who said this, knows their worth and puts their faith in God. When we put our faith in God, we know not to dive off the board and stay on earth with the people we know and love.

So many people die in this world today from suicide alone, but what no one thinks about is this ungodly way of death, which is also known as assisted suicide or euthanasia. This is an abhorrent practice in which doctors use medicine known as euthanasia and inject it into a patient, killing them as they wished for. We are sinful and deserve to be punished, but that doesn’t mean we shouldn’t enjoy the life we have; if we make euthanasia illegal, we won’t have this problem.